

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 496

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Ashley Poe, 2009
Salutatorian of Stewart County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Poe is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2009 graduating class at Stewart County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, she has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ashley has earned an exemplary grade point average and top marks in her class while participating in several scholastic and civic organizations and societies, including Beta Club, National Honor Roll Society, Science Club, Math Club, French Club, Prom Committee, and Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she won numerous Black and Gold Awards in several advanced classes throughout her high school tenure, and she was named Miss Stewart County in 2009; and

WHEREAS, her intellectual talents were on display while winning and placing in several competitions at the French contest held at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, deeply involved in her community, Ashley volunteered her time and energies to many worthwhile endeavors, including the S.C.A.A.; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Poe's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Crystal and Calvin Shepherd, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ashley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Stewart County High School Salutatorian, Ashley Poe, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.