

SENATE RESOLUTION 53

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A RESOLUTION to honor Bill Tittle as the 2009 Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter Hometown Hero First Responder Award winner.

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter received its charter three months after the United States entered World War I in 1917, and today it is one of five regional chapters in Tennessee, serving more than 725,000 people in 13 counties; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter has helped thousands of fellow Tennesseans during disasters such as home fires, tornadoes, and floods as volunteers, course participants, instructors, contributors, and blood donors; and

WHEREAS, at the second annual Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Hometown Heroes luncheon, dozens of extraordinary and inspirational citizens were nominated for the prestigious Hometown Hero Award for their many acts of courage, heroism, dedication, conviction, and support; and

WHEREAS, the winner of the 2009 Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter Hometown Hero First Responder Award is Bill Tittle; and

WHEREAS, acting as the Hamilton County Chief of Emergency Management, Bill Tittle serves with compassion and concern while pulling agencies together to prepare for and respond to area disasters; Bill Tittle was chosen as the First Responder Award winner for his uncommon dedication and care while constantly seeking improvements in community safety and preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter Hometown Heroes Award winners, as well as the nominees, are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Bill Tittle for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate Bill Tittle, upon receiving the 2009 Greater Chattanooga Area Red Cross Chapter Hometown Hero First Responder Award winner, thank him for his many contributions to the citizens of this great State, and wish him every success in the future.

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