

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 394

By Barnes

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Clarissa Belle Pulley on being named Valedictorian at Houston 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, Clarissa Belle Pulley is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Houston County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Clarissa 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, she has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in the Student Health Council and serving as Beta Club secretary and Future Teachers of America vice president; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her impressive academic achievement, Ms. Pulley is a member of the Beta Club, Future Teachers of America, Health Occupation Students of America, Chess Club, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, ; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Clarissa has been named a Tennessee Scholar, received the Academic Award all four years, won the Patriots Pen Essay contest in 2006 and the Yearbook/Newspaper Award in 2007, and has received a Heritage Bank Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, having evidenced a strong commitment to public service at an early age, she is active in the Houston County Library Summer Reading Program and the Houston County High School Recycling Program; and

WHEREAS, Clarissa's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Austin Peay State University; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Kerensa and Johnny Pulley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pulley'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 SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Clarissa Belle Pulley, 2011 Valedictorian of Houston County High School, congratulate her 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.