

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 613

By Sargent

A RESOLUTION to honor Diana Pope upon her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.26 million Tennessee volunteers give over 134.5 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.1 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, they are the backbone of our communities, and by giving their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, these individuals should be recognized, not only to appreciate their efforts, but also in the hope that it will encourage others to step up and make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Diana Pope is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pope has served the United Way of Williamson County Youth Advisory Council (YAC) as the co-president of the Franklin High School YAC group for the past year; she has invested more than sixty hours in the YAC program and her group is expected to raise approximately \$5,000 through various events; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pope has also greatly contributed to organizations that offer programming to improve the lives of preschoolers, the elderly, and the impoverished, such as the Full Tummies, Warm Hearts Thanksgiving project and weekly book clubs for adults with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pope is a model citizen, and her commitment to helping others through volunteerism is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Diana Pope for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

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