

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 719

By Matlock

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Danny Smith upon his selection as the Truckload Carriers Association 2015 Company Driver of the Year.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are honored to recognize those exceptional Tennesseans who have performed in their respective careers with the highest levels of ability and acumen; and

WHEREAS, Danny Smith of Shelbyville is one such individual, who has recently been selected as the Truckload Carriers Association 2015 Company Driver of the Year in the U.S. and Canada; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith, a driver for Big G Express for twenty-one years, has distinguished himself as a driver of the highest caliber; and

WHEREAS, a professional truck driver with Big G Express since its founding in 1995, Danny Smith was the first driver hired by the company and has steadily, and safely, driven our highways, completing more than three million accident-free miles; and

WHEREAS, Danny Smith was previously recognized as the Tennessee Trucking Association's Driver of the Year in 2013, and he was a top three finalist in the Truckload Carriers Association's National Driver of the Year awards program in 2012 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, he was a captain in Tennessee's Road Team, a statewide highway safety education program sponsored by the Tennessee Trucking Foundation and Bridgestone; in 2015-2016, he was one of nineteen chosen nationally to serve as a captain in the American Trucking Association's America's Road Team, a national public outreach program led by professional truck drivers to inform the public about highway safety; and

WHEREAS, his professional accomplishments aside, he is perhaps most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Carol, and two daughters, Rachel and Anna Marie; and

WHEREAS, Danny Smith is a professional of singular abilities and talents, and it is fitting that he be recognized by this General Assembly; 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 recognize and honor Danny Smith for his selection as the Truckload Carriers Association 2015 Driver of the Year in the U.S. and Canada and extend to him our best wishes for his continued 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.