

HOUSE RESOLUTION 30

By Holt

A RESOLUTION to honor Michael and Amy Shirley of Rutherford County, national runners-up, American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, two such noteworthy individuals are Michael and Amy Shirley of Rutherford County, who were recently named the national runners-up for the prestigious American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award; and

WHEREAS, this illustrious honor from the American Farm Bureau Federation recognizes farmers who actively contribute and grow through their involvement in Farm Bureau. Participants are judged on their involvement in agriculture, leadership ability, and involvement and participation in Farm Bureau and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, both involved in agriculture since the fourth grade, when they joined 4-H, Michael Shirley is a high school agriculture teacher and FFA advisor with experience as a Tennessee State University Extension agent working primarily with the 4-H program, and Amy Shirley is a veterinarian; and

WHEREAS, active members of their church and their community, the Shirleys reside on a thirty-acre farm in Rutherford County with their three children, Tristan, Mahayla, and M. J.; and

WHEREAS, Michael and Amy Shirley epitomize the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of true Tennesseans, and the members of this legislative body find it appropriate to specially recognize them for their exceptional accomplishment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor Michael and Amy Shirley upon their selection as national runners-up for the American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award and extend to them 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.