

HOUSE RESOLUTION 63

By Hazlewood

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Julie Taylor on being named a 2015 Woman of Distinction.

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, Julie Taylor is one such estimable individual, who has been named a 2015 Woman of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious honor is given to women who have distinguished themselves through their professional, civic, and volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, after a successful twelve-year career in broadcast sales and management, Mrs. Taylor was fortunate to be able to stay home and raise her two children. During that time, she chose to volunteer primarily for organizations that involved her family, including renovating Riverview Park and chairing AmuseUm for the Creative Discovery Museum; and

WHEREAS, serving as the board chair at St. Peter's Episcopal School, Julie Taylor helped complete a major capital campaign to expand the campus, and she developed a passion for fundraising and returned to the workforce in nonprofit development; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Taylor began her second career at WTCI-TV, raising money and awareness for public television. Later she joined Erlanger Health System as their chief development officer and foundations president; and

WHEREAS, when she is not busy sharing Erlanger's exciting plans to build a new children's hospital, Julie Taylor can be found working with the Women's Fund of Greater Chattanooga. A former board chair, she has helped to raise funds and advocate for issues involving women and girls in the community; and

WHEREAS, although she has a demanding job and many philanthropic commitments, Mrs. Taylor still finds time for her friends, and she fellowships with many of them during her women's book club meetings, of which she has been a part for more than sixteen years; and

WHEREAS, she is perhaps most appreciative of the love and support she shares with her husband, Rob, and their children, Tru and Campbell; and

WHEREAS, epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Julie Taylor takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned Tennessee the nickname of the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Julie Taylor who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; 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 and congratulate Julie Taylor on being named a 2015 Woman of Distinction, thank her for all she has done to make her community and this State a better place to live and work, and extend to her our best wishes for much 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.