

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 572

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Neonatal/Pediatric  
Respiratory Therapists of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, through technological advances, increased purpose of staff education and knowledge, and the development of best clinical practice guidelines, neonatal/pediatric respiratory care continues to move forward at a truly impressive pace; and

WHEREAS, leading this charge in improving outcomes for neonates, infants, children, and adolescents with respiratory illnesses are the neonatal/pediatric respiratory therapists; and

WHEREAS, neonatal/pediatric respiratory therapists serve as an integral part of a multidisciplinary team that continuously strives to deliver the highest quality of patient care possible; and

WHEREAS, their focus is to assist those who cannot breathe for themselves whether the cause is related to prematurity or underdeveloped organs, following a complex surgical procedure or a traumatic event, or a simple seasonal cough to a severe asthma attack – a neonatal/pediatric respiratory therapist is always the breath of fresh air for all those in need; and

WHEREAS, neonatal/pediatric respiratory therapists continuously strive to be the model upon which other departments, both internal and external, should set their standards by developing new programs for treating and preventing respiratory illnesses and supporting research and education to help improve the treatments and therapies that will enhance patient health and prevent respiratory disease; and

WHEREAS, neonatal/pediatric respiratory therapists are empowered to achieve their fullest potential and will collaborate to further advance the care of children in our hospitals, our communities, and the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the Neonatal/Pediatric Respiratory Therapists of Tennessee for their commitment to quality health care and pediatric respiratory care awareness as we welcome this outstanding group of medical professionals to the State Capitol for their "Day on the Hill" on March 15, 2016.

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