

SENATE RESOLUTION 87

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Adventist Community Services Center for over thirty years of service to the Greene County community.

WHEREAS, the members of this body are pleased to recognize those worthy nonprofit organizations that endeavor to improve the quality of life for the underserved in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Adventist Community Services Center in Greene County is one such sterling organization that has been providing free food, clothing, and financial services to families in need for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, directed by Ken Coonley, the Adventist Community Services Center is staffed by more than three dozen dedicated volunteers, who have put in years of service to ensure the needs of clients are met; and

WHEREAS, the Adventist Community Services Center derives a significant portion of the revenue needed for its operations from its gift shop, as well as contributions from a number of community partners, such as businesses and individuals, and the Seventh-day Adventist Church, which sponsors the center; and

WHEREAS, on a weekly basis, more than 100 families are provided with food boxes that are primarily created using food from Second Harvest Food Bank; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, more than 213,000 pounds of food were distributed by the center; nearly \$22,000 was provided in financial aid last year; and approximately 92,000 articles of clothing were provided to more than 9,000 people; and

WHEREAS, having graciously provided for the needs of its most vulnerable citizens for more than thirty years, the Adventist Community Services Center is deserving of our commendation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the Adventist Community Services Center for serving the good people of Greene County for more than thirty years, as we thank the volunteers and staff of the center for dedicating their time and talents to advancing the public good.

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