

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 167

By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dylan Bilyeu on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout, and Dylan Bilyeu, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, the son of Joe and Jackie Bilyeu, Dylan is a senior at Jo Byrns High School in Cedar Hill, where he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement as a twelve-year member of Boy Scout Troop 454 includes forty-three merit badges and distinguished service, including serving a holiday meal to patients and family members as a volunteer at NHC Healthcare in Springfield for five years and volunteer service at Mission 615, a homeless ministry in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Dylan has placed flags at the National Cemetery in Madison on Memorial Day for ten years; he has acquired and sorted stuffed animals and filled Christmas bags for more than 300 students at Bransford Elementary School in Springfield for seven years; and

WHEREAS, Dylan cleaned up debris from tornado damage in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in April 2011, and in West Liberty, Kentucky, in March 2012; and

WHEREAS, as a member of Troop 454, Dylan has participated in properly retiring hundreds of United States flags; his Troop has raised \$2,500 for Relay for Life, and each

daylight savings weekend, the Troop serves the community of Cedar Hill by picking up trash along the roadways; and

WHEREAS, Dylan's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism; he built an instrument and equipment wagon for the Jo Byrns band to move equipment on and off the football field for performances; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Dylan as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dylan Bilyeu on becoming an Eagle Scout, and extend to him 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 resolving clause omitted from such copy.