

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 794

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Don Hamilton upon his receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.26 million Tennessee volunteers give over 143.9 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.4 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, these individuals should be recognized, not only to appreciate their efforts, but also in the hope that such recognition will encourage others to step up and make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Don Hamilton of Greene County is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of his laudable commitment to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamilton volunteers his time and skills to the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County and has done so since the organization's inception in 1998; he assists the club in a myriad of ways, including driving a bus so that club members have convenient transportation for field trips; and

WHEREAS, Don Hamilton has served on the board for Greeneville Parks & Recreation for many years, and he also volunteers with a host of schools and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamilton is a model citizen; his commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; 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 honor and commend Don Hamilton upon his receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, applaud his outstanding community leadership, 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 clause omitted from such copy.