

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 74

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Nicole Julia Ranson on her 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, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 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, Nicole Julia Ranson of Crossville is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Ranson has been a member of the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee for seven years, during which time she has collected needed items for the Avalon Center; cooked, served, and donated food to the Bread of Life; and made dog toys and donated needed items to the Focus on Cumberland County Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, she also volunteers to bake homemade treats at the Homestead United Methodist Church food bank and has given her time to the Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Ranson is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Nicole Julia Ranson for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her 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.