

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 189

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate George M. Gannon 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, 1.6 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, George M. Gannon of Manchester 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. Gannon served as a state officer for SkillsUSA, where he was responsible for running the state conference, teaching workshops, and advocating to government representatives; his community service hours contributed to his team receiving the Gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award; and

WHEREAS, George Gannon currently serves as student body president for the Coffee County Student Government Association, in which position he secured a partnership with the Second Harvest Food Bank to ensure the Thanksgiving Basket Program would be able to provide for everyone who participated; and

WHEREAS, he is also involved with Project Graduation, a program that helps foster children buy Christmas presents for their families, and a Christmas food basket program he started with his father; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gannon 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor George M. Gannon for his outstanding community leadership, congratulate him as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, 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.