

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 228

By Daniel

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Christian Cate upon being named a distinguished finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize those estimable citizens of this State, both young and old, who consistently demonstrate a personal commitment to improving the lives and well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, Christian Cate, a resident of Knoxville and a senior at Christian Academy of Knoxville, has achieved national recognition for his exemplary volunteer service, being honored as a finalist for the 2019 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cate earned this award by giving generously of his time and energy; he founded an inner-city youth baseball camp, for which he recruits teen volunteers and youth coaches, secures equipment donations, and designs camp activities for twenty-five players; and

WHEREAS, co-chair of the Senior Teen Board of Knoxville, Mr. Cate leads 150 teens in volunteer projects, serving nonprofit organizations in his community like the children's hospital, nursing homes, and animal shelters; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Christian Cate, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting that the members of this General Assembly give recognition to and express gratitude for the vitality, altruism, and tremendous determination of young Tennesseans such as Christian Cate, who truly are shining stars on the horizon of our State's future; 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 and congratulate 2019 Prudential Spirit of Community Award finalist, Christian Cate, recognize his outstanding volunteerism in his community, and wish him every success in all future endeavors.

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