

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 886

By Thompson

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Cordova High School Concert Singers.

WHEREAS, the art of creating music has long been an important part of humanity, serving as a voice for those traits that make us truly human, preserving our history, and forging bridges between diverse cultures; and

WHEREAS, recognition should be given to this State's young musicians for their brilliant musical skills and their ability to work together as a vocal ensemble; and

WHEREAS, the Cordova High School Concert Singers is the top-performing auditioned ensemble for the school's choral program and includes primarily sophomores, juniors, and seniors; and

WHEREAS, conducted by Adrian Maclin, the Concert Singers consistently receive superior ratings at district, state, and national festivals, and nineteen of its members were selected to perform in the All-Southwest Honor Choir; and

WHEREAS, the Cordova High School Concert Singers frequently perform throughout the MidSouth and the surrounding states, and they recently made their debut performance at Carnegie Hall; and

WHEREAS, their performance of Dr. Nathan Carter's arrangement of "If I Can Help Somebody," in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has garnered more than eight million views on Facebook; and

WHEREAS, despite their demanding performance schedule, all students in the Concert Singers maintain at least a C average in their classes; many of these musicians go on to attend colleges and universities on academic and music scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the extraordinary work and dedication of the Cordova High School Concert Singers serves as the golden standard in the State of Tennessee, and each one of these young women and men should be recognized for their commitment and hard work; 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 commend conductor Adrian Maclin and the members of the Cordova High School Concert Singers, applaud their dedication to excellence in music, and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.