

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 956

By Holt

A RESOLUTION to honor Nick and April Patterson of Clay County on winning the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher Achievement Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, two such noteworthy individuals are Nick and April Patterson of Clay County, who were recently named winners of the prestigious Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, this illustrious honor recognizes farmers who actively contribute and grow through their involvement in Farm Bureau. Participants are judged on their involvement in agriculture, leadership ability, and involvement and participation in Farm Bureau and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Pattersons farm more than 1,000 acres of corn, soybeans, and wheat and raise commercial and Akaushi cattle; they host agrotourism events on their farm and run a sawmill and log home company, Honest Abe Log Homes, started by April Patterson's father more than fifty years ago; and

WHEREAS, Nick and April Patterson are both active in the Young Farmers and Ranchers program and the Clay County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the Pattersons went on to finish in the top ten nationally at the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention; and

WHEREAS, Nick and April Patterson epitomize the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of true Tennesseans, and the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to specially recognize them for their exceptional accomplishment; 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 hereby honor Nick and April Patterson upon their receipt of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher Achievement Award and extend to them 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.