

HOUSE RESOLUTION 225

By Littleton

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dale Ragan on his receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we 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, Dale Ragan of Dickson County 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, a quiet leader and volunteer, Mr. Ragan offers support and encouragement to other leaders and organizations within the community, staying under the radar and focusing on getting the job done; and

WHEREAS, Dale Ragan has been an active member of Walnut Street Church of Christ since 1968; he served as an elder for almost twenty years and taught a seventh-grade boys' class on the book of Acts for more than forty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ragan has volunteered with a number of organizations while working full-time and raising a family, and at the age of seventy-seven, he continues to work seven days a week and lend his time and talents to his community; and

WHEREAS, during football season, Dale Ragan can be found selling football programs at home games for the Good Morning Rotary; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ragan 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, that we honor Dale Ragan 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.