

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1027

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the AAA School Safety Patrol program on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

WHEREAS, we are proud to salute the accomplishments of exemplary organizations as they celebrate significant anniversaries; and

WHEREAS, one such notable group, the American Automobile Association (AAA), recently celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the AAA School Safety Patrol program; and

WHEREAS, the AAA School Safety Patrol program is a program that enlists the assistance of select students who volunteer to help younger students as they cross the street on their way to and from school and who help to protect their fellow classmates against traffic hazards; and

WHEREAS, the concept of school safety patrollers began in 1920 when Charles M. Hayes pledged support for protecting school-aged children after witnessing a terrible car crash; and

WHEREAS, the program is now 100 years strong and continues to have a positive impact on schools, students, and communities; and

WHEREAS, AAA School Safety Patrols play an important role in helping young pedestrians learn and fulfill responsibilities regarding traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, millions of U.S. boys and girls have honorably served their classmates since the program began; and

WHEREAS, today, the AAA School Safety Patrol program is the largest school-based safety program in the world with more than 679,000 Patrollers in 35,000 schools across North America and thirty countries, providing a safer environment for child pedestrians and offering a spectrum of educational opportunities for schoolchildren; and

WHEREAS, the School Safety Patrol program embodies AAA's mission of providing safety and security to the motoring public; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to specially recognize the AAA School Safety Patrol program and those outstanding students who have dedicated themselves to improving safety in their respective schools and communities; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the AAA School Safety Patrol program on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the State of Tennessee.

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.