

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 545
By Fowlkes

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Rogers Group, Incorporated and Dave Adomyetz for their educational partnership with local schools.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body honor those companies that honor and develop our most valuable resource: our young people; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding company is Rogers Group, Incorporated, the largest privately held crushed stone producer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Dave Adomyetz is the company's regional director of sales and marketing; and

WHEREAS, along with Dave Adomyetz, Rogers Group decided to explore how educators in the company's markets could better prepare graduates for the modern workplace; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1996, Rogers Group implemented vocational educational initiatives at high schools and vocational centers in Southern Middle Tennessee communities; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the program is to help the educators fully understand the different job tasks in the aggregates industry and the skills necessary to perform them; and

WHEREAS, Dave Adomyetz says that the educational programs are partnerships; Rogers does not consider its involvement charity; and

WHEREAS, the projected goals of the program are to encourage and provide guidance to students who are at risk of making poor decisions; to provide insight to educators about the skills businesses find most valuable; to remove the stigma from students who are not bound for college; to provide a smooth transition from school to the workplace; to recruit students to the aggregates industry; and to inform educators that many important jobs do not require a college degree; and

WHEREAS, instead of sitting back and criticizing educators for not preparing graduates for the workplace, Rogers Group decided to do something about the problem; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the General Assembly should honor those companies who have performed with extraordinary dedication and unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, in the Tennessee spirit of educational progress, Rogers Group is committed to the belief that business and industry can help improve the quality of education in our schools; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Rogers Group, Incorporated, and Dave Adomyetz for their educational partnership with local schools.

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