

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 346  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the D.A.R.E. Role  
Models for meritorious service to the citizens of  
Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body honor those citizens who through their worthy endeavors serve as role models to their peers; and

WHEREAS, the never-ending struggle to combat the deleterious effects of drugs and violence in our society has warranted recognition of certain outstanding individuals; and

WHEREAS, four students in Cumberland County deserve such recognition; they are: Scott Calahan, Michael Stuart Sitton, Jamie Jo Garrison and Scarlett Henry; and

WHEREAS, these four students are academically strong, possess high self-esteem, and have made a commitment to a drug-free life; and

WHEREAS, when faced with negativity, they strive to look for the positive in every situation; and

WHEREAS, these meritorious citizens are now D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance and Education) Role Models; and

WHEREAS, D.A.R.E. Role Models instruct classes, answer questions, help with demonstrations or exhibitions and emphasize that life is better without drugs and violence; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of these four young people has provided younger students with camaraderie in their daily struggles; and

WHEREAS, Scott Calahan is a 17-year-old Senior at Cumberland County High School, whose hobbies include team golf and baseball; and

WHEREAS, Scott is the son of Larry and Debbie Calahan; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Scott plans to attend USA, play college baseball and major in sports injury management; and

WHEREAS, Michael Stuart Sitton is also a 17-year-old Senior at Cumberland County High School, whose hobbies include fishing, basketball and any outdoor activity; and

WHEREAS, Michael, who works part time at a local restaurant in a working-student program, plans to attend Roane State Community College with his wife; and

WHEREAS, Michael became a father last year and is building a house and actively planning for the future of his family; and

WHEREAS, Jamie Jo Garrison, another Senior at Cumberland County High School, is a member of the Student Council, statistician for the boys basketball team, a member of the Lady Jet Spikers Varsity Team, Vice President of the Senior Class and an honor student; and

WHEREAS, Jamie plans to attend UT and major in pre-med; she also plans to include volunteer work for the local hospital in her future; and

WHEREAS, Jamie is the proud daughter of Jerry and Thresea Garrison; and

WHEREAS, Scarlett Henry, also a Senior at Cumberland County High School, is a member of SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), the Bible Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the golf team and many other clubs and activities; and

WHEREAS, Scarlett attends Roane State and plans to attend Middle Tennessee State University in the fall to major in business; and

WHEREAS, her many hobbies include tennis, bowling and a variety of other outdoor activities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the pledge of these D.A.R.E. Role Models that our communities will become a better place to live as a result of their efforts to reduce violence and drug use among our young people; and

WHEREAS, these four Role Models exemplify the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend the four D.A.R.E. Role Models for their dedication to a drug-free society and to the state of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend D.A.R.E. Role Models, Scott Calahan, Michael Stuart Sitton, Jamie Jo Garrison and Scarlett Henry, for their exemplary service to the state of Tennessee and this country and wish them every continued success in their future endeavors.

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