

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 214

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Emmie Hendren upon being elected President of the Tennessee Association of Student Councils.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Emmie Hendren is one such exceptional student who was elected President of the Tennessee Association of Student Councils (TASC) on March 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hendren took office as a sophomore and will continue her term throughout her junior year of high school. She is the first President to be elected to TASC from Ripley High School in Lauderdale County, and she will be attending NASC in Las Vegas in June to represent Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Emmie Hendren has been very active in Ripley High School's student council for the past two years. She served as a Senator her freshman year and, as a sophomore, she won the election for the office of Parliamentarian, which is a position on the Executive Board. She will be allowed to run for President of Ripley High School during her junior or senior year because she has held a position on the Executive Board; and

WHEREAS, while attending the TASC convention in Brentwood, Ms. Hendren won the Above and Beyond award for Ripley High School, an award which was based on the amount of points earned through projects she had worked on throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, during her two years at Ripley High School, Emmie Hendren has enjoyed serving as a member of the advanced women's choir, advanced mixed choir, and show choir; and

WHEREAS, through her work with the Ripley choirs, she has participated in several competitions; she was chosen to be part of Tennessee's All-West Honor Choir in 2012; in 2013, she was chosen to sing with the University of Tennessee at Martin Honor Choir; and she received a superior rating at Solo & Ensemble in February; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hendren also graciously dedicates her time and energies to several other scholastic organizations; she is a member of the yearbook staff; she is a two-year member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and will serve as Vice President during her junior year; she is a two-year member of the cheerleading squad and will participate again during her junior year; and she was inducted into Ripley High School's Beta Club during her sophomore year; and

WHEREAS, Emmie Hendren's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Wade and Gina Hendren, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Emmie Hendren's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Emmie Hendren upon being elected President of the Tennessee Association of Student Councils, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

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