## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 917**

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Stephen "Peyton" Staggs, 2016 Salutatorian of Columbia Academy.

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, Stephen "Peyton" Staggs is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2016 graduating class at Columbia Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Peyton Staggs achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Staggs earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including National Honor Society, Best Buddies, and Junior Civitan Club; and

WHEREAS, Peyton Staggs's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Harding University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Staggs's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Stephen and Kim Staggs, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Peyton Staggs's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2016 Columbia Academy Salutatorian,

Stephen "Peyton" Staggs, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him 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.