

HOUSE RESOLUTION 74

By Lundberg

A RESOLUTION to honor Christopher Ralph Steadman on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing boys and young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout and Christopher Ralph Steadman, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure in scouting, Christopher has demonstrated considerable ability and maturity as a role model among his peers; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 255 includes numerous Merit Badges and distinguished service in several leadership positions; and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle project, Christopher Ralph Steadman developed a plan to reconstruct period fencing for livestock, secured sponsorship to cover material costs, and recruited and managed volunteers for the successful completion of the operation; and

WHEREAS, Christopher's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of Volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Steadman's many impressive achievements, including this latest honor, are a source of great pride for his parents, and his community; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career at Dobyns-Bennett High School, Christopher has earned an exemplary 3.8 grade point average while participating in several worthwhile extracurricular activities, including serving as a member of the football team, the wrestling team, and the Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Steadman also volunteered his numerous talents to restore the Darrell's Dream Boundless Playground and the Gaines-Preston Farm Historic Site, and he collected hundreds of pounds of food over two weekends each year for the Waverly Road Presbyterian Church Food Bank; and

WHEREAS, Christopher initiated a new volunteer position in the Surgery Center Staff for Wellmont Health Care System at Holston Valley Medical Center. His duties included stocking pixxis machines in operating rooms, aiding in transport of patients to and from surgery, making charts and checklists to be used by doctors in surgery, and picking up x-rays and nuclear scans for nurses; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades and awards, Christopher has been recognized as a Niswonger Foundation Northeast Tennessee Scholar, as a recipient of the Rotary International/Rotary Club of Kingsport Outstanding Student Award, and as a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar. He also holds membership in the National Honor Society and the Academic Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should recognize Christopher Ralph Steadman as one of the most outstanding young people in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and congratulate Christopher Ralph Steadman on becoming an Eagle Scout, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

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