

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 144

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Andre Jones upon receiving the 2024 Charter Champion Award for Advocate of the Year from the Tennessee Charter School Center.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Andre Jones is one such noteworthy person, who was recently given the 2024 Charter Champion Award for Advocate of the Year by the Tennessee Charter School Center for his dedication in helping students establish financial security and stability; and

WHEREAS, a Crosstown High School alumni parent and board member, Mr. Jones created a \$6,000 "Financial Freedom" scholarship challenge that incentivizes students to familiarize themselves with the various methods of securing financial independence and facility; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones not only financed part of the scholarship money himself but also personally fundraised the rest of the necessary investment, and he continues to mentor the three winning students as they journey further into their pecuniary lessons and invest their scholarship money in a Roth IRA; and

WHEREAS, with far-reaching vision and ever-present concern for Crosstown students' futures, Mr. Jones is fundraising a significantly larger amount to fund the scholarship in perpetuity, securing this avenue of self-improvement and financial literacy for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Andre Jones epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Jones for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its youngest citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Andre Jones upon receiving the 2024 Charter Champion Award for Advocate of the Year from the Tennessee Charter School Center 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.