

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 957

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize April C. Porter, 2010
Salutatorian of Ridgeway High School.

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, April C. Porter is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2010 graduating class at Ridgeway High School; and

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

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.868 grade point average while participating in a number of worthy scholastic and extracurricular activities, including the Student Council, the Memphis Prep Program, the National Honor Society, and Lovely Ladies of Elegance; and

WHEREAS, her many talents were on display while participating in the Ridgeway High School Theatre Program, the Ridgeway High School Advanced and Chamber Choir, the New Generation Choir, the Memphis Unique Dance Team, and the Hybrid Performance Group; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she has been recognized for her many noteworthy accomplishments with several prestigious honors, including the William H. Sweet Award, the B.U.I.L.D.E.R. English Award, and she was invited to attend the Philips Exeter Academy in 2009; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the time and energy she has devoted to her studies and school activities, Ms. Porter has contributed many volunteer hours to various charitable efforts and worthy causes, including Angel Tree, Memphis Food Bank, and Race to Erase Racism; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Porter's display of intellectual aptitude, ambition, and community spirit surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Aubrey and Patricia Porter, her school, and her community; and

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2010 Ridgeway High School Salutatorian, April C. Porter, on her impressive academic achievement 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.