

SENATE RESOLUTION 2

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ashley Mike on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Mike, a lifetime resident of Union County, is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Mike currently serves as Secretary of the City of Maynardville Parks and Recreations Board; and

WHEREAS, she is dedicated to giving back to her community through her passion for agriculture; she actively volunteers with the Farm Bureau and the Soil Conservation District, where she conducts educational activities for Farm Day in the Classroom and National Agriculture Day; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Mike strives to do her part to foster a sense of unity within her home of Union County; she organizes the Hay Bale Decorating Contest, held for local businesses and organizations during the Heritage Festival, and the "Light Up UC" campaign in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce, which invites the community to display Christmas lights; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Mike is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor Ashley Mike for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her 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.