



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 396

By Senator Barnes

and

Representative Phillip Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Michael Andrew Newton on being named Valedictorian at Harpeth 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, Michael Andrew Newton is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Harpeth High School; and

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

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, he has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in varsity baseball for four years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his impressive academic achievement, Mr. Newton is a member of the National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Michael scored 4 on the Advanced Placement Calculus Exam, 3 on the Advanced Placement Psychology Exam, and an impressive 6 on the TCAP Writing Assessment; and

WHEREAS, having evidenced a strong commitment to public service at an early age, he participated in flood relief clean-up efforts in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Michael's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Rick and Karen Newton; his school; and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Newton'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 SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Michael Andrew Newton, 2011 Valedictorian of Harpeth High School, congratulate him on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

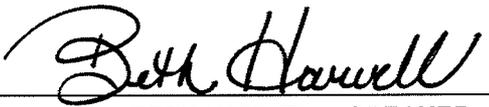
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 20, 2011



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 3rd day of June 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR