

STATE OF TENNESSEE

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 746

By Representatives Marsh, Hardaway

and

Senator Tracy

A RESOLUTION urging all 911 call centers in Tennessee to accept text messages.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly understand the importance of utilizing all available technologies to aid and protect Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, one of those emergent technologies, which is already in use by a large number of Tennesseans who own and use cell phones, is that of the act of sending text messages; and

WHEREAS, text messaging would be a valuable resource if the citizens of this State could use the technology to contact 911 call centers to alert emergency technicians of urgent situations and emergencies; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby urge all 911 call centers in Tennessee to accept text messages sent by citizens in an effort to alert the authorities of urgent and emergency situations.

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

ADOPTED: March 29, 2010



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED: April 9, 2010



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR