



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 420

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to commend Charles Burns for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Charles Burns is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Jim Kyle; Charles's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), where he is highly regarded by his peers, Charles has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and Philosophy and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including serving as a desk assistant for MTSU Housing and Residential Life, a senior counselor for Milton Collins Day Camp, a member of MTSU Moot Court Team, and a research team leader and student field researcher for the Clinch River Environmental Studies Organization; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his singular achievements, Mr. Burns has received numerous awards and accolades, including the Meritorious Service Award, the Senior Honor Award, and the Tennessee HOPE Scholarship; additionally, he holds membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and was named on the Dean's List from 2007 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, his athletic prowess was evidenced when Mr. Burns biked from the legislature to his home in Murfreesboro, which was an outstanding forty miles away; and

WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman's future plans include attending Chicago-Kent College of Law as a candidate for a Juris Doctorate; and

WHEREAS, highly involved in the political process, Charles worked assiduously for State Senate Democratic Leader Jim Kyle, to which he dedicated many hours throughout the 2011 session providing constituent service, legislative analysis, and clerical assistance; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Charles Burns brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2011 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2011 legislative session, Charles Burns has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burns has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; 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 Charles Burns for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Jim Kyle and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

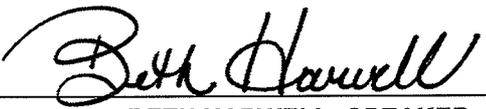
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 20, 2011



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2nd day of June 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR