

## State of Tennessee

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 237

## By Representative Pody

and

## Senator Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Shareeda Van Straaten, 2011 Valedictorian of Watertown 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, Shareeda Van Straaten is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Watertown High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Van Straaten 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, Shareeda has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in several worthwhile extracurricular activities, including Beta Club and Future Business Leaders of America; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, she had endeavored to serve her fellow citizens by completing numerous service projects as a member of Venturing and 4-H; and

WHEREAS, Shareeda's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother Kitty Van Straaten, her school, and her community; and

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2011 Watertown High School Valedictorian, Shareeda Van Straaten, 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.

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ADOPTED: APRIL 25, 2011

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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APPROVED this day of \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_ 2011

**BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR**