

State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 487

By Representative Montgomery

and

Senator Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sarah Marie Clabo, 2011 Valedictorian of Pigeon Forge 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, Sarah Marie Clabo is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Pigeon Forge High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Sarah 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, Ms. Clabo has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while dedicating her time and energies to numerous extracurricular organizations, including serving as a Student Government Senator, a Senior Beta Club Representative, a Future Christian Athletes Representative, as Design Coordinator for the yearbook, as the Leo Club Treasurer, as a member of the varsity volleyball team, as a member of the Valley View Baptist Church Youth Group, and as a Bible Drills participant; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Clabo has participated in several mission trips to cities across the United States, she has collected donation items and helped raise funds for various organizations, she has participated in a Feed the Homeless Thanksgiving Dinner for Lost Sheep Ministry, and she participated in the State Wide Beta Project through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Sarah has also served with acumen and alacrity as an employee at Duncan's Clothing World and as an Assistant Custodian at Valley View Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Sarah Clabo is a recipient of the *Knoxville News Sentinel* Academic Achievers Award, the Calculus Award, the United States Government Award, the Honors Algebra II Award, and the Three-Year and Six-Year Participant Award for Bible Drills; she is a distinguished member of the Honor Roll and was ranked academically in the top ten percent of her graduating class; and she participated in Dual Enrollment courses at Walter State Community College; and

WHEREAS, she was nominated for membership in the National Society of High School Scholars and she was a nominee for the Rotary Youth Leadership Award; she was invited to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and Crime Scene Investigation; and she received Volleyball District Honorable Mention; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Clabo's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Doyle and Dora Clabo, her school, and her community; and

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

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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 the 2011 Pigeon Forge High School Valedictorian, Sarah Marie Clabo, 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: MAY 19, 2011
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this day of 2011
BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR