

State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 790

By Representatives Evans, Campbell, Hill, Shipley, Kent Williams, Dale Ford, Hawk, Faison, Lundberg

and

Senators Crowe, Faulk, Ford

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the participants of East Tennessee State University's "Relay for Life" event to benefit cancer research.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary organizations and their individual members who have given unselfishly of themselves, their time, and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, the participants of East Tennessee State University's (ETSU) Relay for Life are concerned people whose willingness to help those in need knows no bounds; and

WHEREAS, every day in Tennessee, ninety-seven people will be diagnosed with cancer; and

WHEREAS, each day, 797 Tennesseans will find the answers to their questions by contacting the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, 187 cancer patients in the State will receive help every day with transportation to receive treatment; and

WHEREAS, today in Tennessee, \$36,800 in research, funded by the American Cancer Society, will be conducted by researchers looking for treatments and medical breakthroughs; and

WHEREAS, truly demonstrating the spirit of the Volunteer State, ETSU raises \$40,000 annually through the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, the fundraiser is a student-led event that thrives on the efforts of faculty and students and benefits from the participation of forty teams with a total of 700 members; and

WHEREAS, occurring on March 30, 2012, the event is a comforting reminder that the American Cancer Society is here to help all those whose lives are affected by cancer; and

WHEREAS, proceeds from the ETSU Relay for Life will go towards research, prevention, early detection, treatment, and patient support services; and

WHEREAS, the ETSU Relay for Life is truly a great event and is a catalyst for positive change in our State and Nation; 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 honor and commend the participants of East Tennessee State University's Relay for Life for their tireless efforts to support cancer research, raise awareness, and collect funds to aid in the prevention, detection, and treatment of cancer.

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: MARCH 22, 2012
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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