



State of Tennessee

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 181

By Representatives Butt, Shepard

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Annie Hardison, Maury County's Adult Governor's Volunteer Star of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable citizens who have distinguished themselves as extraordinary volunteers within their communities; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hardison of Columbia is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all her chosen endeavors and has been honored as the Adult Governor's Volunteer Star of the Year in her home county of Maury; and

WHEREAS, over many years, Ms. Hardison has become a preeminent volunteer who has built an outstanding record of dedication and selfless service to others. Alcoholics and addicts seeking recovery have been special benefactors of her service and support, as she herself has been recovering from alcoholism for twenty-six years; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hardison is a member of People Helping People Together, a laudable organization that assists low-income elderly persons by repairing and refurbishing their in-need homes to be safe, warm, and dry. She dutifully fulfills the leadership role for the selection committee that screens and chooses homes for rehabilitation and has been integral to the success the program has had in Maury County; and

WHEREAS, she has also been a member of Maury County Concerned Citizens for the past fifteen years and as such, has affected the well-being of her community in a very positive manner. Focused on matters of reducing crime and violence while simultaneously boosting pride, safety, and responsibility in homes and neighborhoods, Concerned Citizens, bolstered by Annie Hardison's tireless energy and fortitude, continues promoting opportunities for citizens of all ages to find means of positive engagement with others and support in times of need; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hardison works with the NAACP as a community liaison to ensure other organizations work together for the good of the poor and disadvantaged within her community; and

WHEREAS, NAACP President Barbara Dobbins has stated, "Mrs. Hardison is an invaluable community leader and team player. She is the wheel that makes this community turn, and she can walk with paupers or princes." Her compassion for humanity is unparalleled, and her worth to her community is immeasurable; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hardison is a prolific poetess and playwright, and her artistic talents are made manifest in the acting troupe that she founded, "SistaGirls," which performs hilarious anecdotal plays to make one ponder the precepts of brotherly love; and

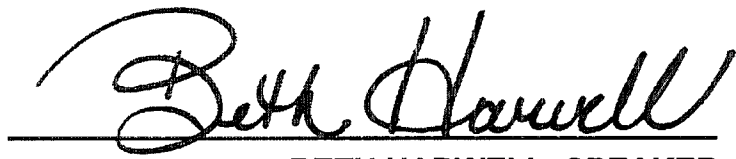
WHEREAS, Annie Hardison epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and the gift of volunteerism she gives so freely has yielded countless blessings among throngs of people, making Maury County and the entire state of Tennessee a better place to be; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we recognize and commend Annie Hardison upon her selection as Maury County's Adult Governor's Volunteer Star of the Year and extend to her our best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors.

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 17, 2014

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Beth Harwell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES