State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 836

By Mr. Speaker McNally, Massey

A RESOLUTION to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup.

WHEREAS, it is the pleasure of the members of this General Assembly to acknowledge and applaud those community initiatives that foster collaboration among citizens toward a common good; and

WHEREAS, one such event is the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup, an effort to beautify the Hardin Valley Community that takes place each spring and fall, with volunteers picking up litter along several miles of roads in Hardin Valley; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the beginning of the twentieth year of the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup, a milestone that serves as a testament to the commitment that the volunteers have made to being generous stewards of their community; and

WHEREAS, the idea for the litter cleanup originated with Chrys Huston, an intrepid, conscientious Knoxvillian who recognized the need for such an initiative and possessed the acumen and leadership skills to see the project through; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Huston organized the cleanup in 1999 in conjunction with the Knox County Adopt-a-Road program, and in the two decades since, the effort has grown from covering eight miles of roadway in the Hardin Valley area to covering seventeen miles of roadway; this year, the event will take place along not only Hardin Valley Road, but Hickory Creek, Campbell Station, Steele, Marietta Church, East Gallaher Ferry, and West Gallaher Ferry roads, as well; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers expect to collect at least 150 bags of trash this year, which would make the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup the largest one-day Adopt-a-Road cleanup in Knox County; Chrys Huston estimates that volunteers have picked up a total of more than 5,000 bags of trash over the last two decades; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the immediate, pragmatic results of the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup, the event promotes the value of teamwork and the synergy that results when concerned citizens work in concert toward an altruistic end; certainly this effort has instilled a sense of pride throughout the community and engendered goodwill among its volunteers; and

WHEREAS, for two decades, the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup has been a positive, successful event that is most worthy of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the Hardin Valley Community Cleanup, extending our sincere gratitude to all involved with this worthy initiative.

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 4, 2018

RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 6th **day of** April **2018**

BILL HASLAM, *GOVERNOR*