

State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 959

By Representative Hurt

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Katherine West on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.3 million Tennessee volunteers give over 99 million hours of community service, contributing \$2.6 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Katherine West of Crockett County is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. West has created a concept she calls "Bloom," which provides feminine care products in a cute bag filled with wipes, liners, and pads and has since provided over 400 bags to students in need in Crockett County schools; she also created a video production for grade school students called "Girl Talk"; and

WHEREAS, her volunteerism also has included the organization of a fundraiser to assist a peer who lost her home in a fire, as well as her participation in programs such as Go Pink, Relay for Life, Crockett Witches Ride, and Operation Christmas Child, among others; and

WHEREAS, Ms. West is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Katherine West for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation. HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 959

ADOPTED: March 4, 2024

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 13th day of March 2024

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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR