

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 865

By Reeves

A RESOLUTION to encourage Rutherford County Schools to develop a partnership with the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee to permit the use of school facilities at a reduced fee or at no cost.

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee, serving thirty-nine counties and including Fort Campbell, Kentucky, has more than 14,500 girls participating in programs and more than 6,000 adult volunteers; and

WHEREAS, any girl in grades kindergarten through twelve can join Girl Scouts and experience the time-honored traditions combined with innovative programming; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting offers a safe, fun, and supportive environment that challenges girls to be their best; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts have an extensive variety of opportunities to connect with their local communities by participating in Girl Scout traditions that include leadership, outdoor skills, camping, and community service in a setting filled with friendship, learning, and fun; and

WHEREAS, activities reach beyond these traditions and also focus on healthy living, the arts, financial literacy, science, technology, and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts are committed to the mission of making their communities and their world a better place; and

WHEREAS, everything a Girl Scout does centers on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics), outdoor adventures, life skills, and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee's mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts need a meeting place that will provide a safe, clean, and secure environment that allows for the participation of all girls; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby encourage Rutherford County Schools to develop a partnership with the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee to permit the use of school buildings and school property by the Girl Scouts for meetings or recreational purposes at a reduced fee or at no cost in exchange for volunteer service provided to Rutherford County Schools by the Girl Scouts.