

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Representative Smith**

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 URGING MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA TO PROVIDE THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF
9 ARKANSAS MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC RECOGNITION FOR
10 OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE AREAS OF ACADEMICS,
11 ENTREPRENEURSHIP, COMMUNITY SERVICE, ART, ENTERTAINMENT,
12 AND SPORTS.

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14 **Subtitle**

15 URGING THE MEDIA TO PROVIDE YOUNG PEOPLE IN ARKANSAS MORE
16 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC RECOGNITION FOR OUTSTANDING
17 ACHIEVEMENT.

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19 WHEREAS, in recent months, the attention of the general public in
20 Arkansas and the nation has frequently been focused on young people who have
21 committed violent acts or have become involved in drugs; and

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23 WHEREAS, young people often see themselves and are seen by others as
24 problems rather than as valuable resources for the community; and

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26 WHEREAS, the members of the media, to a great degree, influence popular
27 opinion by determining where public attention is directed; and

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29 WHEREAS, the majority of young people in Arkansas are conscientious,
30 hard-working, and strive to improve both themselves and their environment; and

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32 WHEREAS, the public should have more opportunities to appreciate the
33 true fact that the behavior of a comparatively small number of individuals
34 does not represent all Arkansas young people,

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1 NOW THEREFORE,
2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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5 THAT the House of Representatives hereby urges the members of the media
6 in Arkansas to make a concerted effort to present a more balanced picture of
7 the young people of our state to the general public by recognizing those
8 youths who are outstanding in the areas of academics, entrepreneurship,
9 community service, art, entertainment, and sports.

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