

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 180
By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend The James H. Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University for 25 outstanding years of service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those exemplary institutions who through their abiding commitment to excellence, are credits to this state; and

WHEREAS, twenty-five years ago, the College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University was established by Tennessee's 88th General Assembly in March 1974; and

WHEREAS, the medical school was formally dedicated as the James H. Quillen College of Medicine, as a lasting tribute to the tireless efforts, dedication, and strong support of long-time first district Congressman James H. Quillen; and

WHEREAS, since 1982, ETSU has educated and awarded more than 850 M.D. degrees, and has graduated a significant number of residents, fellows, and biomedical scientists; and

WHEREAS, the James H. Quillen College of Medicine has earned recognition by several national organizations and publications for the institution's successful rural medicine programs and efforts to train more primary care physicians; and

WHEREAS, funding for research and scholarly activity at the James H. Quillen College of Medicine is at an all-time high, exceeding \$12 million during the 1997-98 academic year; and

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WHEREAS, for a quarter of a century, the James H. Quillen College of Medicine has been a model for all other schools to emulate; and

WHEREAS, the presence of the medical school and the East Tennessee State University Division of Health Sciences has been a leading force in revolutionizing the health care industry in the Tri-Cities region; and

WHEREAS, it is more than fitting that we pause in our deliberations to pay tribute to the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable institution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the East Tennessee State University's James H. Quillen College of Medicine on their 25th Anniversary, and extend to Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr., President of ETSU, Dr. Ronald D. Franks, Dean of Medicine and Vice President of Health Affairs, and to everyone affiliated with the school our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.