## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 224**

## By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Catrice James, 2015 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Catrice James, who was recently recognized as one of the members of the 2015 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30, presented by the Tennessee chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Tennessee chapter selects thirty individuals for its class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30, which recognizes business professionals throughout Middle Tennessee for their leadership qualities, volunteerism, and business endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Catrice James is a 2010 graduate of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration. In 2011, she earned a Master of Accountancy degree with an emphasis in taxation from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, after interning for Lattimore Black Morgan and Cain, PC (LBMC) in Nashville, Ms. James worked as a financial analyst for JP Morgan & Co. in Newark, Delaware, serving as a high-level collaborator with a financial team in London, England; and

WHEREAS, she rejoined LBMC to focus on investment partnerships and estate, gift, and large individual tax returns. She is a leader in the corporation's Young Professionals group, and she serves as the editor of the guarterly newsletter; and

WHEREAS, Catrice James evinces noteworthy leadership skills in all her endeavors.

She is a member of the Young Leaders Council, serves on the Young CPA Workgroup for the

Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants, is a CPA Ambassador for the American Institute of CPAs, and is currently interning for the Brentwood Family YMCA's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. James also volunteers with young people throughout the Nashville area, offering her understanding of finances and encouraging them to pursue education, be spiritually grounded in truth, and achieve and maintain physical well-being. She also participates in Nashville's Upward Stars basketball program and its 360 Progression<sup>™</sup> initiative to succeed and enjoy health and wellness through sports; and

WHEREAS, Ms. James epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the individuals of the 2015 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30 for their dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Catrice James on being named a member of the 2015 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30 by the Tennessee chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation 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.