

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 243

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. Clyde Lane Jr. upon winning the 2014 Beef Quality Assurance Educator Award from the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

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 noteworthy person is Dr. Clyde Lane Jr., who recently won the 2014 Beef Quality Assurance Educator Award from the National Cattlemen's Beef Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane has served as the Tennessee Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) coordinator since the program's inception in 1999, and the program has trained over 20,000 individuals under his tenure; and

WHEREAS, at the regional level, Dr. Lane has worked with other BQA coordinators in the Southeast to develop a manual that fits the conditions of cattle production in the Southeast; he was also responsible for hosting and scheduling the Stockmanship and Stewardship Tour in Tennessee in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lane has been active on the national level, where he served on a committee to develop National BQA guidelines; he presented these guidelines to State Coordinators and successfully gained the approval of all the coordinators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Clyde Lane developed vaccine and antibiotic bags used in transport from point of purchase to the farm; these bags not only provide proper storage of the medications, but they also include information to educate those who might be unfamiliar with BQA guidelines; and

WHEREAS, outside of his work with the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Dr. Lane recently retired from the University of Tennessee as an Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, in which position he provided his leadership and experience for over thirty-seven years; and

WHEREAS, he has led numerous educational programs in his capacity as beef specialist, including the "Catch Four" Cattle handling program, Integrated Resource Management (IRM) program, Master Beef Producer program, Add-300 program, and "Back to the Basics" program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Clyde Lane has also been active with the State youth livestock program, and he has participated in community 4-H programs related to beef; and

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

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Dr. Clyde Lane Jr. for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Dr. Clyde Lane Jr. upon winning the 2014 Beef Quality Assurance Educator Award from the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, thank him for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, and extend to him 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.