

Senate Resolution 835

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Beth Hermes; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, *The Townelaker* magazine each month recognizes a local person that
3 exemplifies the qualities of a pathfinder, someone that is leading the way and trying to make
4 the community the best it can be; and

5 WHEREAS, Beth Hermes was recognized by *The Townelaker* magazine as Pathfinder of the
6 Month for October 2007; and

7 WHEREAS, Beth was taught the importance of giving back to her community from an early
8 age when her family would sponsor a child each summer for the "Fresh Air Fund," a program
9 in Long Island, New York, in which inner-city children would live with a host family in the
10 suburbs for several weeks, making a lifelong impact on her; and

11 WHEREAS, she has a long history with the March of Dimes, beginning in 1978 when she
12 and her father participated in "Superwalk," the 20 mile version of Walk America in Long
13 Island, New York, followed by providing many years of volunteer work with the
14 organization, serving as a "Special Ambassador Spokesperson" when her niece, Sarah, was
15 born two months premature and culminating in 1997 to her work as a member of the staff;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, she is an integral member of the South Cherokee Optimist Club which has
18 direct involvement with Woodstock Elementary School as well as Youth Appreciation events
19 held each fall for middle and high school special education students; and

20 WHEREAS, Beth's philosophy on volunteer work is summed up in her insightful words that
21 "I think volunteering helps us truly appreciate what we have in terms of gifts, talents, and
22 even financial success"; and

1 WHEREAS, currently, Beth is a licensed realtor and serves as the Marketing and Public
2 Relations Director for Silver Summit Properties; and

3 WHEREAS, her family time is spent with her husband, Craig, and her children: Abigail, a
4 freshman at Sequoyah High School, and Benjamin, a sixth grade student at Hickory Flat
5 Elementary School.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
7 recognize and commend Beth Hermes on being recognized by *The Townelaker* magazine as
8 Pathfinder of the Month for October 2007 and express to her their congratulations and
9 appreciation for her selfless contributions to her community and this state.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
11 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Beth Hermes.