

# House of Representatives

## State of Tennessee



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Dear Friends:

The following information may be of interest to you or someone you may know.

Sincerely,

Representative Donna Rowland

### **Representative Rowland Encourages Young Women to Enter \$3,000 Scholarship Essay Contest**

The National Foundation for Women Legislators and the National Rifle Association are co-sponsoring their thirteenth annual Bill of Rights Essay Contest for college-bound female high school juniors and seniors, which this year will be entitled "Freedom and Civic Virtues." The contest's seven winners will each receive a \$3,000 college scholarship and an all-expenses-paid trip to NFWL's Annual conference November 18-22, 2010 where they will network with, be mentored by and speak to hundreds of women lawmakers from across the United States.

"This is an excellent opportunity for local members of the Class of 2010 and 2011," said NFWL State Chairman Representative Rowland. "This contest will help seven young women enhance their understanding of the role of women in politics through a hands-on learning experience. It provides an excellent opportunity to develop leadership skills while assisting with college tuition expenses."

"The Millennial Generation is the future of American politics," said Representative Rowland. "By understanding and explaining the importance of American virtues and rights, young women can make a lasting impact on the future of American policies. This essay contest is an opportunity for young women to win a college scholarship while making their voices heard on the true intentions of the Bill of Rights."

Entries must be received or postmarked no later than **July 30, 2010**, after which an NFWL selection committee will judge each essay and determine the seven winners. The judges will primarily weight the factors of storytelling, understanding of the Bill of Rights and original insight.

The National Foundation for Women Legislators (NFWL) enables women lawmakers to be more effective leaders. NFWL provides women Members of Congress, state legislators, county commissioners and city council members with strategic resources, including debates and briefings on the issues, leadership skill development and opportunities for networking.

Questions by potential applicants may be directed to Representative Rowland at (615) 741-2804 or to the NFWL office (202) 293-3040 ext.1005.

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