## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1187**

## By Hawk

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Dan D. Walker, Greene County Trustee, on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their worthy careers in public service; and

WHEREAS, Dan D. Walker is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for seven terms as the elected Trustee of Greene County; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walker is not seeking re-election and is thus taking a much deserved retirement on August 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the son of the late Ragon and Alta Walker, Dan D. Walker has compiled an impressive record of public service; he was a member of the Greene County Commission for two terms (1974-1982) prior to his illustrious tenure (1986-2014) as Greene County Trustee; and

WHEREAS, as a county commissioner, Mr. Walker guided to passage a resolution asking Greene County to match a percentage of the tax relief given to the elderly by the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, as Trustee and treasurer for Greene County, he has faithfully and accurately collected and deposited all property taxes, fees, sales tax revenues, and state and federal funds due the county and invested idle county funds to secure the highest interest return possible; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walker epitomizes professionalism and takes the duties of his office seriously, but in addition to working hard for the citizens of Greene County, he is friendly with

them and calls them by name, both in and out of the office, and treats his employees with respect and fairness at all times; and

WHEREAS, renowned as an exemplary servant of the people, Mr. Walker was hospitalized for three months in 2008 as the result of a serious farm accident; after his recuperation was complete, he returned to work with a smile on his face and a zest to fulfill the duties of his office; and

WHEREAS, he is an active citizen and important part of his community as a member of the Hardins Chapel Ruritan Club, Moose Lodge, Greene County Republican Party, and Hardins Chapel United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserve, Mr. Walker enjoys living on his farm and spending time with his family, which includes his children, Clint Walker and Beth Walker McNeese; his grandchildren, Walker McNeese, Hudson McNeese, and Sydney Walker; and his siblings, John Walker, Zan Walker, and Nellie Walker Blevins; and

WHEREAS, Dan D. Walker exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Walker demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his fellow elected officials and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Greene County Trustee Dan D. Walker our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, as we pay tribute to his outstanding career in public service.

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