HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 22

By Sargent

A RESOLUTION to recognize Louise Lynch on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Louise Lynch is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as Director of the Williamson County Archives and Museum and who will be taking a much deserved retirement on February 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a sixth generation native of Williamson County, Mrs. Lynch has dedicated her life and work to preserving its history for the benefit of posterity; and

WHEREAS, an official employee of Williamson County since 1997, she began her impressive career in archives and preservation as a volunteer, assembling and compiling collections and artifacts in one of the old County jails; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lynch was instrumental in establishing the first official Williamson County Archives in 1993 in the basement of the Old Five Points Post Office in Franklin; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, it moved to its current location at 611 West Main Street in 2007, where its collections have continued to grow with donations from local families; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lynch also undertook a major project to create and maintain files on as many Williamson County veterans as possible, honoring their sacrifices and contributions through a variety of media, such as videotaped interviews with World War II veterans, photos, scrapbooks, and newspaper clippings; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this important historical record, the Williamson County Archives and Museum offers an array of storefront replicas, quilts, antique clothing, transportation of yesteryear, an old-time school room, and other scenes depicting early life in the area; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Louise Lynch has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of the good people of Williamson County and the State of Tennessee; 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 honor Louise Lynch on her exceptional career as Director of the Williamson County Archives and Museum, commend her meritorious service to the citizens of the State of Tennessee, and extend to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

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