

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 26

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Michael Douglas Garrett of Byrdstown.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Michael Douglas Garrett; and

WHEREAS, Doug Garrett was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Albany, Kentucky, on January 9, 1954, Mr. Garrett graduated from Pickett County High School in 1972. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science from Tennessee Technological University in 1977 and a pharmacy degree from the University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garrett was a pharmacist and the owner of Garrett's Drug Center in Byrdstown and Clarkrange Drug Center; and

WHEREAS, a farmer and licensed pilot, Doug Garrett served on the board of directors of Southern Pharmacy Cooperative from 2010 until his passing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garrett was an active and devout member of First Christian Church, which he served faithfully for many years as a teacher, deacon, trustee, and elder; and

WHEREAS, Doug Garrett was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of forty-one years, Deborah Barnes Garrett, and was the proud father of Seth Garrett and Tyler (Jessica) Garrett; he will be lovingly remembered by his sisters, Tammie (Bill) Thomas and Beth Hall; his grandson, Elijah Michael Garrett; and his extended family and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garrett was preceded in death by his mother, Peggy Hall, and his grandparents, E.A. and Nora Pierce Garrett; and

WHEREAS, Doug Garrett leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Michael Douglas Garrett, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Garrett.

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