

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 32

By Miller

A RESOLUTION to commend Beverly Marrero for her honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this body should recognize those fellow legislators who have performed their elected duties with unprecedented devotion and whose efforts to excel have brought substantial benefits to their respective communities and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, one such elected official is Beverly Marrero, who faithfully and honorably served the good people of the 30<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District during the 105<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup>, and 107<sup>th</sup> General assemblies and the constituents of the 89<sup>th</sup> House District during the 103<sup>rd</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup>, and part of the 105<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Marrero has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to the good people of Memphis, who evinced their firm confidence in Senator Marrero's abilities as a legislator; and

WHEREAS, a dignified woman who greatly values civil discourse, Senator Marrero distinguished her legislative tenure with impeccable statesmanship, and she consistently benefitted debate and negotiation as she witnessed a multitude of bills and resolutions traverse

the legislative process in committee rooms and on the floor of the revered Senate Chamber;  
and

WHEREAS, Senator Marrero astutely served as a member of numerous legislative committees in both Chambers of the Tennessee General Assembly; in the most recent legislative session, she served as a member of the Judiciary and the Environment, Conservation, and Tourism Committees; and

WHEREAS, Senator Marrero has been an ardent advocate for the elderly and disabled, and as a legislator and as a community minded citizen, she has consistently supported public policy focused on historical preservation and environmental conservation; and

WHEREAS, Senator Marrero has served as Minority Caucus Secretary and Minority Caucus Treasurer for the Tennessee State Senate; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Senator Marrero has served as a member of Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Evergreen Historic District Association, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis Zoo, the 2004 Memphis Zoological Council, the Advisory Board for Shelby Residential and Vocational Services, Sierra Club, Tennessee Economic Council on Women, Vollintine Evergreen Community Association, Women in Legislatures Lobby, Women's Action for New Directions, and as a member and State Director of Women in Government; and

WHEREAS, a native Memphian, Beverly Marrero attended South Side High School and the University of Tennessee, and she spent her years of industry as a partner at Blue and Gray Bookstore, Director of the City of Memphis Department of Youth Services, Vice President of G. Richard Hanor and Associates, Inc., in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, consultant at South Side High School, former bookkeeper, and as a consultant in retail real estate; and

WHEREAS, while she sorely misses her recently departed father, Beverly Marrero is deeply appreciative of the love and companionship of her three children, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, ever the donner of chic chapeaux, Senator Marrero has made an indelible mark on Capitol Hill fashion. She possesses elegant southern charm that is deliciously seasoned with remarkable humor with which she has lightened the air of Room 12 Legislative

Plaza during many a late and intense hour of Judiciary debate when she artfully opined with poignant and satirical adversaria; and

WHEREAS, Senator Marrero has displayed vigor and determination as she has worked tirelessly for the good of the people of this great State, and for her service and devotion all Memphians should be exceedingly proud and thankful; 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 hereby honor Senator Beverly Marrero for her meritorious service as a member of the General Assembly, commend her for her countless contributions and many good works in service to her constituents, and extend to her our best wishes for much success and happiness in all 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.