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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 58

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## A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Alma Ruth Cobble Carter of Bristol.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Alma Ruth Cobble Carter; and

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carter was a graduate of Draughn Business College in Knoxville and East Tennessee State University, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Services; and

WHEREAS, she went on to work for the State of Tennessee as the Supervisor of Children's Services, Volunteer Coordinator for Sullivan County, and District Coordinator for the Tennessee Commission on Youth; and

WHEREAS, Alma Carter served the youth of her community with pride and enthusiasm as a Cub Scout den mother, PTA member, and band parent for the THS Marching Band; she served as secretary of the YWCA board and was the president of the YWCA Women's Club; as a direct descendant of Josh Hart, Mrs. Carter was particularly proud of her involvement with the Ann Robertson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carter served as the vice chairman of the Sullivan County Republican Executive Committee, a charter member and past president of the Sullivan County Republican Women's Club, and the Resolutions Committee Chairwoman of the National Federation of Republican Women's Clubs; she attended the Republican Women's National Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C., where she was invited to represent the interests of the State of Tennessee as a member of the Republican Senatorial Inner Circle; and WHEREAS, Alma Carter was an active and devout member of Victory Baptist Church in Bristol, Virginia, and she particularly enjoyed her time spent with her friends in the "Willing Workers" Bible study group; and

WHEREAS, Alma Carter was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her loving husband, Larry Alan Carter; her sons, Kim Alan (Vannessa) Carter and Randy Eugene Carter; her grandchildren, Tracy Carter (Dan) Braun, Matthew Carter, and Kathryn Carter; her brother, CM (Carol) Cobble; and a host of nieces, nephews, and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents, George and Flossie May Ramsey Cobble, and her sisters, Ellen Cobble Hinkle and Doris Cobble; and

WHEREAS, Alma Carter leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 Alma Ruth Cobble Carter, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. Carter.

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