

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 145

By Powers

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. James Farris upon his receipt of the Campbell County 2021 Good Scout Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Dr. James Farris, who is being honored with the 2021 Good Scout Award for outstanding leadership in Campbell County; and

WHEREAS, the award is presented by the Boy Scouts of America, which has provided youth guidance in character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness for more than 100 years; and

WHEREAS, the son of Clarence and Nannie Lou Farris, Dr. James Farris grew up in Campbell County and graduated in 1957 from LaFollette High School, where he was a delegate to Boys State and a member of the Beta Club, Key Club, band, and Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Farris studied pre-medicine at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and earned his medical degree from the University of Tennessee Medical School in 1963; and

WHEREAS, he completed residencies at the University Hospital in Knoxville and the University of Alabama at Birmingham before enlisting in the United States Air Force and serving as Chief of Medicine at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, returning home to LaFollette in 1970, Dr. James Farris opened his private practice at LaFollette Medical Center, where he established the coronary care unit; he later practiced medicine at the University of Tennessee Internal Medicine Clinic of LaFollette until 2018. He presently treats patients at the Tennova LaFollette Medical Center Clinic; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Farris is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, president of the LaFollette Medical Foundation, and a member of the Tennessee Medical Association; he has also served his community as the board chairman of First National Bank of LaFollette; and

WHEREAS, Dr. James Farris is grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Nancy Penn Farris; his children, Scott, Jim, and Rena; and his five grandchildren and great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, through his estimable service to Campbell County, Dr. Farris epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Dr. James Farris for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Dr. James Farris upon his receipt of the Campbell County 2021 Good Scout Award, thank him for his meritorious service to Campbell County and this State, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.