

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 431

By Helton-Haynes

A RESOLUTION to honor Glen and Sharon Meadows, owners of Wally's Restaurant.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should recognize those exemplary businesses that, through their unwavering commitment to excellence, have been a credit to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such notable establishment is Wally's Restaurant in East Ridge, which, after thirty-four years of serving the good people of Hamilton County, will close its doors a final time on March 18, 2023, as the owners, Glen and Sharon Meadows, retire from the restaurant industry; and

WHEREAS, located near I-75 Exit 1, Wally's Restaurant served delicious food to people from all walks of life while providing warm and unequalled friendship and fellowship to the citizens of East Ridge and guests from all over Tennessee and North Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Glen Meadows and his original partner, the late Tony Kennedy, opened Wally's Restaurant in 1989; Sharon Meadows later joined the operation to help with the office administration of the restaurant after retiring from Southern Champion Tray; and

WHEREAS, both of the Meadows's children, David and Allison, grew up working with their parents in the family business, as David spent many hours in all areas of the operation and Allison worked there for several years; and

WHEREAS, the owners credit their reliable, hardworking staff with much of Wally's Restaurant's success over the years, noting their gratitude for the hundreds of employees who worked alongside them; and

WHEREAS, Glen and Sharon Meadows are at once proud of their years of operating Wally's Restaurant and eager for what lies ahead in new business ventures and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Wally's Restaurant served as a pillar of the East Ridge community, offering a friendly, family atmosphere, good company, good food, and good times to all who crossed its threshold; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we honor the legacy of this beloved dining establishment and all those who made it a success as its story comes to a close; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize Glen and Sharon Meadows for their many years of service to the East Ridge community through their operation of Wally's Restaurant, extending our best wishes for much success in their 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.