

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 451

By Travis

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mary Wade Vincent of Dayton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Mary Wade Vincent; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vincent 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, born on October 11, 1920, in Old Washington, Mary Vincent was the daughter of George and Cordia Neal Wade; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Tennessee, Mrs. Vincent lived in Old Washington until her twenties, thereafter relocating to Hixson, where she remained until returning to Dayton three years ago; and

WHEREAS, Mary Vincent was a woman of many talents and abilities who enjoyed gardening, yard work, canning food, quilting, and sewing; and

WHEREAS, devoted to serving her community, she volunteered at the Hamilton County Nursing Home for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vincent was a longtime, active member of Hixson First Baptist Church; and

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vincent is survived by her son, Jim (Marilyn) Vincent; daughter, Sharon Vincent; seven grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; sister, Elsie Brinson; and brother, Don (Dee) Wade; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband, Lewis Floyd Vincent; and

WHEREAS, Mary Vincent 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 Mary Wade Vincent, 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. Vincent.

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