

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 515

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Gladys Margaret Endsley McKinsey.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Gladys Margaret Endsley McKinsey on March 16, 2019, her eighty-ninth birthday; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McKinsey 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, Gladys McKinsey served with acumen and alacrity in elections for more than forty years, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and the public alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to her community, she served as a member of the Blount County Republican Executive Committee, Smokey Mountain Walking Horse Association, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; during her lifetime, she was also active in the American Legion Post 13's Women's Auxiliary poppy distribution, Memorial Day program, and Boys and Girls State program; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McKinsey was an active and devout member of Carpenter's United Methodist Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

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

WHEREAS, Gladys McKinsey enjoyed the love and support she shared with her children, Vicki Watlington, Betsy (Sam) Ganglani, Mike (Linda) McKinsey, and Melissa (Steve) Davis; her grandchildren, Lynn (Jessica) Whitehead, Matt Whitehead, Shannon (Jess) Gamble, Samantha Ganglani, Monica (Chase) Tipton, and George Ganglani; her great-grandchildren,

Arianna, Nevaeh, Justice, Savannah, James, and Truett; and her sister, Barbara Rusterholz;  
and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband, George McKinsey, Jr.; her daughter, Micki Whitehead; her son-in-law, Paul Watlington; her parents, Allen and Delia Wolfe Endsley; and her brothers and sisters, Chester Endsley, Lester Endsley, Raymond Endsley, Clara Rathbone, Ila McKenzie, Mary Amburn, D.H. Dunlap, Clarence Key, Mae Lambert, and Bill Key; and

WHEREAS, Gladys McKinsey 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 Gladys Margaret Endsley McKinsey, 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. McKinsey.

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