

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 520

By Evans

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jackie Wilkerson of Robertson County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Jackie Wilkerson; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkerson served with acumen and alacrity as the Deputy Director of the Tennessee Department of Health, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, prior to his service with the State of Tennessee, Jackie Wilkerson served as a paramedic with St. Thomas Emergency Medical Services from 2004 to 2011; director of Robertson County Emergency Medical Services and deputy director of Robertson County Emergency Management Agency from 1988 to 2011; chairman of the board of the Robertson County Emergency Communications District from 1988 to 2011; and as a firefighter, engineer, lieutenant, and fire captain with the Springfield Fire Department from 1978 to 1993; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkerson further served his community and State as chairman of the State Emergency Medical Services Board, advisor to the Volunteer State Emergency Medical Services Program, president of the Middle Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Director's Association, and in various other board positions during his time as director at Robertson County Emergency Medical Services; and

WHEREAS, Jackie Wilkerson was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkerson enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Jane, and was the proud father of two children; and

WHEREAS, Jackie Wilkerson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that 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 EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jackie Wilkerson, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his 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 Mr. Wilkerson.

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