HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 653

By Camper

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lemonté Jermaine Spencer of Memphis.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Lemonté Jermaine Spencer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spencer 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, Lemonté Spencer was born in Chicago, Illinois, on December 11, 1980, the son of Carolyn Spencer and Otis Spencer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spencer accepted Christ at an early age and later joined Brown Baptist Church, under the leadership of Pastor Bartholomew Orr; and

WHEREAS, devoted to fellowship and service within his community, Lemonté Spencer had served as Worshipful Master of Eureka Lodge #3; and

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

WHEREAS, Lemonté Spencer enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of nearly fifteen years, Beverly Hope McGory, and was the proud father of Raja Faith McGory, Lemonté "LJ" Spencer, Jr., and Lauren Symone "Tootie" Spencer; and

WHEREAS, also left behind to cherish his memory are his mother and father; brothers, Melvin (Gina) Spencer and Johnski (Iwona) Gunerka; mother-in-law, Janet McGory; sister-in-law, Joy McGory; nieces, Marnesha, Jada, Jazmyn, Raven, and Nicole; special brothers, Isaiah Russell, Marquis Lacey, and Aaron (Renee) Johnson; special sisters, Yolanda (David) Conley and Erica Suggs; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his brother, Otis "Tootsie Roll" Spencer, and his father-in-law, Reverend Gary McGory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spencer 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 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 Lemonté Jermaine Spencer, 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. Spencer.

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