

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 733

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of O.A. Richardson of Lawrence County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of O.A. Richardson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richardson 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, a highly successful farmer and businessman in the construction industry, O.A. Richardson established a home construction company in 1963 and developed Richardson Acres, numerous subdivisions, apartment complexes, and custom homes across Lawrence and surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, during his thirty years in the construction industry, he employed hundreds of individuals and helped countless families in the community get their first home when they thought it was impossible; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Richardson was a member of the board of Bank of America and the Lawrence County Planning Commission for many years, contributing greatly to the advancement of Lawrence County; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years in numerous capacities; and

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

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty-three years, Dorothy Crews Richardson; and

WHEREAS, O.A. Richardson 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 TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of O.A. Richardson, 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. Richardson.

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