

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 741

By Fraley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Willie D. Kinslow of Winchester.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Willie D. Kinslow; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kinslow 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, born on March 11, 1933, to Sandy and Martha Rene Kinslow, Willie D. Kinslow nobly served in the United States Army for two years and in the Army National Guard for thirteen years; and

WHEREAS, after gaining a Bachelor of Science degree in Drafting from Tennessee State University in 1961, Mr. Kinslow found employment at the Arnold Engineering Development Center, where he served with acumen and alacrity for more than thirty-two years; in 1994, he retired from the Schneider Corporation, where he had earned the respect of supervisors and colleagues alike in his position as the Supervisor of the Work Control, Planning, and Scheduling section; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Kinslow served as a member of many civic and social organizations, including the Franklin County Recreational Community, the Winchester/Franklin County Crime Stoppers, the Franklin County Airport Authority, the Franklin County Independent Political Council, the NAACP, the Black Awareness Community Coalition, the Franklin County Chapter of the Dr. Martin Luther King Scholarship Foundation, and Arunah Lodge #132; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Kinslow is survived by his wife, Theresa Simmons Kinslow; his daughter, Willa Mosley, and her husband, Dwight; his sons and daughters-in-law, Tony and Carla Kinslow, and Tracey and Rhonda Kinslow; his siblings and their spouses, Charles and Lyvonia Kinslow, Leroy and Glynda Kinslow, Sandy and Eula Kinslow, Earstin and Nena Kinslow, Brenda Cunningham, Rita Kinslow, Deborah Braddy, and Sharon and Tony Buck; his sisters-in-law, Ruby Kinslow, Arthella Bailey, and Lucille Simmons; his brothers-in-law, Billy Horton, Aaron Simmons and his wife, Yoshi, Robert Hicks, and George Simmons; his grandchildren, Quitman, Dodie, Anthony, Nickolas, Trinity, Josiah, and Ryan; his great-grandchildren, Diamond and Zaccheus; many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and a loyal friend, Donald Young; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kinslow was preceded in death by his brothers, Marvin and Jerry; his sister, Frances; and his daughter, Marcialene; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kinslow 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 SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Willie D. Kinslow, 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. Kinslow.

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