HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 771

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to recognize William E. "Bill" Danner on the occasion of his retirement from Meigs County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding professionals who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, William E. "Bill" Danner is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, after twenty years of positively influencing young lives in the classroom and beyond at Meigs County High School, Mr. Danner is taking a much deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, during his career, Mr. Danner has proved to be an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Danner graduated from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, where he earned a degree in aerospace engineering; and

WHEREAS, before joining the faculty of Meigs County High School, Mr. Danner enjoyed a long career with the United States Air Force; while in the Air Force, Mr. Danner served his country during the Vietnam conflict and later used his degree to design planes for the military; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from the military, Mr. Danner returned to his dairy farm in McMinn County to begin farming full-time, but later felt a calling to teach and returned to school; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Danner received his Master's degree from the University of Tennessee and completed a year of student teaching in Loudon County before joining the Meigs County High School math department in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Danner dedicates his time and energy to the betterment of his students, arriving to school early each day in order to tutor students and discovering ways to develop the talents of those who have claimed to hate math; and

WHEREAS, a treasured husband and father, Bill Danner enjoys the loving companionship of his wife, Raye Danner, and their four children; and

WHEREAS, William Danner truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; 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 commend William E. "Bill" Danner on the occasion of his retirement for providing exceptional service to the children of Tennessee. We further salute him for his professional expertise and personal excellence and extend to him our warmest wishes for all the best in his future endeavors.

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