

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 790

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to recognize Betty Gibson on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Betty Gibson is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for forty-two years at Volunteer State Community College; and

WHEREAS, originally from Lebanon, Mrs. Gibson graduated from Lebanon High School in 1959, and she moved to Gallatin with her husband in 1960; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1972, Betty Gibson joined the staff of Vol State as a secretary in the Planning, Federal Programs, and Institutional Research Office shortly after the Gallatin campus opened but soon received a promotion to Administrative Assistant to the President, where she served three different presidents of the university; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gibson worked for thirty-five years alongside Dr. Hal R. Ramer, the founding president of the college, and he named a building in her honor before his own retirement; and

WHEREAS, known for her dedicated and enthusiastic service to the students, faculty, and staff of Vol State, Mrs. Gibson received the Outstanding Professional Staff Award in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gibson enjoys the loving companionship of her husband, Steve, and the couple have two children, Jenny and Randall, and three grandchildren, Cole Nycz, Cody Gibson, and Bayleigh Gibson; and

WHEREAS, Betty Gibson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mrs. Gibson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the General Assembly recognize Mrs. Gibson's dedication and service to the State of Tennessee; 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 extend to Betty Gibson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her 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.