

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1345

By Coley

A RESOLUTION to recognize David Walker on the occasion of his 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 public service; and

WHEREAS, David Walker is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for twenty-five years as the in-school suspension monitor at Bolton High School in Arlington; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walker retired at the end of the 2009-2010 school year after a long and storied career during which he earned the respect and admiration of the administration, teachers, staff, and students at Bolton High; and

WHEREAS, David Walker previously rendered sterling service as an employee of Pitney Bowes, serving with acumen and alacrity from 1964 until 1985. He began his career with Pitney Bowes as a salesman and finished it as a branch manager; and

WHEREAS, a 1949 graduate of Bolton High School in Alexandria, Virginia, Mr. Walker attended the University of Southern Mississippi, from which he earned his degree in 1953. An excellent athlete, he was granted a football scholarship and played both football and baseball; and

WHEREAS, David Walker is a devout member of the Bellevue Baptist Church, which he has served for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, he is also devoted to family values of the highest order, and is deeply appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Betty Jean, his daughters, Stephanie Langley and Ivy Bartasis, and his grandchildren, Leigh, Collins, and Cori; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walker exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, David Walker has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of colleagues; 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 extend to David Walker our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success 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.