

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8002

By Clemmons

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mark Allen Lenz of Adams.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Mark Allen Lenz; and

WHEREAS, the president of Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT)-Nashville, Mr. Lenz 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, Mark Lenz was born in Fremont, Ohio, on February 17, 1960, to Richard and Joyce Lenz; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lenz proudly served his nation for six years as a member of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, after completing his term of enlistment in the Navy, he enjoyed a twenty-six-year career at Robert BOSCH North America, where he progressed from a machine operator to an accomplished training manager to an international trainer; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lenz demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity throughout his eleven years as president of TCAT-Nashville; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected and admired member of his community, Mr. Lenz was a proud Eagle Scout as well as a member of the executive board of the Boy Scouts of America, Middle Tennessee Council; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lenz was a man of many talents, who greatly enjoyed barbershop singing, woodworking, and beekeeping; and

WHEREAS, a longtime member of Grace Lutheran Church, Mr. Lenz served faithfully as a choir member and demonstrated his Christian faith in all aspects of his life; and

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

WHEREAS, left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife of twenty-five years, Jolette Lenz; his sons, Matthew Lenz and David (Sabrina) Lenz; his daughters, Ashley (Justin) Ayers and Brittny (Tyson) Bowers; his grandchildren, Heather Lenz, Ellis Ayers, and Eden Ayers; and his sisters, Mindy Veler and Marie Breighner; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lenz 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 we should 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 TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mark Allen Lenz, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character, his many contributions to the people of Tennessee, 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. Lenz.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.