

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8025 of the Second Extraordinary Session

By Howell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Jerry Kenneth Adams of Cleveland.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Jerry Kenneth Adams; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry Adams 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, Dr. Jerry Adams was born on December 3, 1943, in Sapulpa, Oklahoma, to James Edmond and Mary Kidd Adams; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Adams worked as an educator for forty-nine years, teaching at both the high school and university levels; he taught at Tomlinson College and Lee University, from which he retired in May 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry Adams is survived by his wife of nearly fifty-five years, Margaret Evelyn Clay, whom he married on August 14, 1965 in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma; he is also survived by his children, Michelle Lynn (David) Corley, Jason Kenneth Adams, and Melissa Danielle (Joshua) Dasher; grandchildren, Christy Corley, Seaton Dasher, Andi Corley, Connor Dasher, and Katelyn Dasher; and siblings, Helen Brady, Faye Clark, and Daniel Adams; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Adams was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Jesse Adams and Eugene Adams; and his sister, Evanelle Fox; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry Adams 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 ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Dr. Jerry Kenneth Adams, 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 Dr. Adams.

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.