HOUSE RESOLUTION 4

By Griffey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Kert W. Blackwood of Paris.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Kert W. Blackwood; and

WHEREAS, Kert Blackwood 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, born in Henry County on April 15, 1936, Mr. Blackwood was the son of the late Kersey Walker Blackwood and Frances Norton Blackwood; and

WHEREAS, Kert Blackwood served with acumen and alacrity during his career, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blackwood was formerly the chairman of the Henry County Republican

Party, past president of the Volunteers for Freedom Tea Party, and moderator for the Traditional

American Movement Forum; and

WHEREAS, Kert Blackwood was an active and devout member of Maplewood Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; 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, Kert Blackwood was the proud uncle of David John Roberts and Dan Lee Roberts, and he will be lovingly remembered by a host of great-nieces and great-nephews; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, Mr. Blackwood was preceded in death by his niece and nephew, Jane Roberts Driver and James Gerald Roberts; and

WHEREAS, Kert Blackwood 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 the members of this legislative body should pause to 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, that we honor the memory of Kert W. Blackwood, 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 Mr. Blackwood.

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