

HOUSE RESOLUTION 38

By Vaughan

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Michael Reid Bodiford of Oneida.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Michael Reid Bodiford, an exemplary banker, family man, humanitarian, and community leader who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on January 25, 1954, in Ripley, Mississippi, Mike Bodiford was the firstborn child of Beverly Bodiford and Clice Bodiford; and

WHEREAS, a longtime Hardeman County resident, Mr. Bodiford spent his childhood in Middleton and much of his adulthood in Bolivar; after graduating high school, he attended Jackson State Community College; and

WHEREAS, Mike Bodiford began his career as a banker at Hardeman County Savings Bank; his outstanding personality, genuine demeanor, and pure talent were instrumental in his advancement, and by the end of his career, he was vice president of the Bank of Fayette County; and

WHEREAS, a leader in his industry, Mr. Bodiford was the second-highest producer in rural-market lending and a member of the Board of Directors and Loan Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mike Bodiford enjoyed spending time outdoors hunting and relaxing in his cabin on the Hatchie River; and

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

WHEREAS, Michael Bodiford enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, best friend, and love of his life, Janice McKinnie Bodiford, with whom he was joined in holy matrimony in 1974; he was the proud father of Michael Jace (Kristin) Bodiford and Collin Reid Bodiford; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his siblings, Sherry Kuroda, Cindy Hines, Lana Martin, and Clice "Bo" (Bridgette) Bodiford; brothers-in-law, Mike (Lori) McKinnie and Lynn (Penny) McKinnie; and grandchildren, William Jace, Trey Michael, and Olivia Joe Bodiford; and

WHEREAS, he is further survived by his nieces and nephews, Jesse Bass, Whitney Bass, Savannah Watkins, Brian Lee, Brett Martin, Derrick Kuroda, Lauren Drewery, Tyler Bodiford, Dillon Bodiford, Carson Bodiford, Laura McKinnie, Duncan (Anna) McKinnie, Kaleb McKinnie, Clint (Erin) McKinnie, and Steve McKinnie; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bodiford 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 TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Michael Reid Bodiford, 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. Bodiford.

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