

HOUSE RESOLUTION 54

By Farmer

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Warren Newman Hurst on the celebration of his eightieth birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Warren Newman Hurst celebrated his eightieth birthday on March 16, 2023, a milestone that was commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, born on March 16, 1943, Mr. Hurst, the son of Roy and Jamie Dockery Hurst, graduated from Pittman Center High School in 1960; and

WHEREAS, proud to serve his country, he rendered sterling service as a member of the United States Army from November 1964 to November 1966, when he was honorably discharged after having completed a tour of duty that included assignments in Hawaii and Vietnam during the Vietnam Conflict; and

WHEREAS, upon his return to civilian life, Mr. Hurst attended a heavy machinery trade school in North Carolina before becoming an employee of Charles Blalock and Sons; in 1974, he founded his own heavy equipment venture, Warren Hurst Construction Company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hurst's interests gradually shifted to include real estate and development, two areas where he still works to this day; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, he was elected to the Sevier County Commission at the age of thirty-nine and continued on the commission for forty-one years, serving on various boards and committees such as the water, education, and budget committees; and

WHEREAS, a true public servant, Mr. Hurst has done his utmost to ensure Sevier County's growth and development, especially in the areas of infrastructure and education; and

WHEREAS, a man of refined leisure, he enjoys hunting, fishing, outdoorsmanship, and, above all, time with his family; Mr. Hurst is fond of traveling with his wife, Marie, and going on hunting trips with his grandsons; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hurst and his wife have two daughters, Amy Hurst (Rodney) Case and Amanda Hurst (Joe) Ayers, and two grandsons, Jackson William Case and Avery Blake Ayers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hurst is a beloved leader, husband, and father in Sevier County who has done tremendous good for his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, as Warren Hurst enters his ninth decade, he is an active and productive member of the Sevier County community, admired for his wisdom, guidance, and generosity; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Warren Newman Hurst on the celebration of his eightieth birthday and extend to him our best wishes for many happy returns of the day.

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