

HOUSE RESOLUTION 154

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Patrick D. Gilbert on being named the 2011 Man of the Year by Abraham McKissack Lodge #1489.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Patrick D. Gilbert, who was recently named the 2011 Man of the Year by Abraham McKissack Lodge #1489 in recognition of his many years of community involvement; and

WHEREAS, with his sixteen years of service at First National Bank, Mr. Gilbert currently holds the position of senior vice president in addition to acting as Giles County Executive, in which positions he works assiduously to promote Giles County and improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Middle Tennessee State University, he continued his education and earned additional degrees from the Southeastern School of Banking and the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work in the banking industry and with small business development, Mr. Gilbert volunteers his time and talent through his membership of many boards and organizations, including the Pulaski-Giles County Economic Development Commission, the Exchange Club, and the Foundation Board at Columbia State Community College, where he is also chairman of the Investment Committee; and

WHEREAS, extending his commitment to his community beyond the business arena, he is an active member of the Giles County High School Booster Club and former board member and chairman for the Boys and Girls Club and Hillside Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gilbert is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Maria Gilbert; their three children, Tchezaray Major, Raya Whitworth, and Taylor Gilbert; and their grandchild, Jackson Whitworth; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gilbert epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Patrick D. Gilbert for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate Patrick D. Gilbert upon being named the 2011 Man of the Year by Abraham McKissack Lodge #1489, honor and commend him for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

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