

HOUSE RESOLUTION 181

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robert Noel Rickman of Hartsville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Robert Noel Rickman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rickman 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, Mr. Rickman worked with acumen and alacrity as a contractor, businessman, and farmer, in which positions he earned the respect of his fellow citizens for his exceptional ability and expertise; and

WHEREAS, a Trousdale County native, born to the late Noel and Leonora Rickman, he was a man of integrity who embodied the best of his community; and

WHEREAS, utilizing his invaluable skills as a contractor, Mr. Rickman built several homes in Trousdale County which are recognized for their quality and fine workmanship; and

WHEREAS, he owned and operated Rickman Building Supply for many years and he was known for treating people with a kind heart and probity in business; while running the building supply, Mr. Rickman created several employment opportunities for his fellow citizens in the Trousdale County community; and

WHEREAS, with his strong work ethic and dedication, Mr. Rickman also ran a thriving farm, growing tobacco and raising cattle; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rickman was a lifelong member of Hartsville United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his family, Mr. Rickman always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Jane Ann Rickman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rickman was the proud and loving father and father-in-law of Lori and Blaine Reynolds, and Lucy and Ken Henry; and

WHEREAS, his legacy will be remembered by his grandchildren, Rob Henry, Ann Henry, Sarah Henry, Will Henry, Nicholas Reynolds, Emily Warwick, and Tripp Warwick; and

WHEREAS, a caring brother and brother-in-law, Mr. Rickman will be fondly remembered by Bill and Ruth Rickman, and Samuel and Amanda Rickman, and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his dear friend, Mrs. Robbie Phelps, and a host of friends and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, this down-to-earth country gentleman has set a shining example for all to follow; his diligence, generosity, and love for his fellow man will not be forgotten by those whose lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly 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 SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Robert Noel Rickman, 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 Robert Noel Rickman.

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