

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jim Adams of Soddy-Daisy.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Jim Adams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams 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, as an employee of DuPont, Jim Adams earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work, retiring after forty years of service at the company; and

WHEREAS, for twenty-six years, Mr. Adams represented the citizens of his community as a member of the Soddy-Daisy Board of Commissioners, and he also co-founded the North Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, a world traveler and an avid gardener, Jim Adams gave back to his community through his involvement with the Soddy-Daisy Kids Club; the Jim Adams Wilderness Walkway was named in his honor, and he was inducted into the Soddy-Daisy Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams was an active and devout member of Soddy United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as a Sunday School teacher and chairman of the Board of Trustees; 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, Jim Adams enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-four years, Shirley Adams; he was the proud father of Jamie (Phil) Ingle and Chris (Jennifer) Adams; the devoted grandfather of Rebekah (Andy) Susman, Josh Ingle, Chase Adams, and Chance

Adams; and the treasured great-grandfather of Austin Ingle, Carson Ingle, Sophie Susman, and Tripp Susman; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his father, James Adams; his parents, Pex and Eileen Irwin; his brothers, Bob Adams and Cliff Adams; and his sister, Pat Elliott; and

WHEREAS, Jim Adams 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 General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jim Adams, 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. Adams.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.