

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Oscar Glenn Petty of Dickson.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Oscar Glenn Petty; and

WHEREAS, Oscar Petty was an exemplary citizen and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a Dickson County native, Oscar Petty heeded the call to service answered by so many of his generation, defending his country with valor as a member of the United States Army during the Second World War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petty demonstrated his love for the land of Tennessee by farming his whole life; and

WHEREAS, guided by his sense of community, he rendered sterling service as a member of the Dickson County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petty served with acumen and alacrity as a dedicated employee of the DuPont Company at its New Johnsonville plant, from which he retired after twenty-eight years; and

WHEREAS, possessed of a deep appreciation for civic involvement, Mr. Petty was a member of the Dickson VFW Post 4641, the White Bluff Masonic Lodge No. 676, and Dickson Chapter No. 291, Order of the Eastern Star for more than fifty years; and

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

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar Ray and Mary Elizabeth Richardson Petty; his sisters, Mary E. Foster and Rose Jones; and his brothers, Robert Petty and Malcolm Petty; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his loving wife of fifty-eight years, Nancy Donegan Petty; and his three sons and their spouses, Michael S. Petty and Andrea, Timothy G. Petty and Gina, and Patrick H. Petty and Rhea; and

WHEREAS, Oscar Petty will also be sorely missed by his four grandchildren, William Clint Petty, Anna Claire Petty, Brennan Patrick Petty, and Jordan Rhea Petty; his brother, B. M. Petty; and his sister, Marlene Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Petty 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 this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional Tennessee native and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Oscar Glenn Petty, 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. Petty.

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