

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 31

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Roger Dale Allen of Unicoi County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Roger Dale Allen; and

WHEREAS, Roger Allen 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, the son of Fred Allen and Sarah Miller Allen Shell and grandson of Harley and Louise Allen and Maude and Oscar Miller, Roger Allen was a graduate of Unicoi County High School and East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen served with acumen and alacrity at Eastman Chemical Company. He also coached several teams at the Unicoi County Little League; and

WHEREAS, Roger Allen was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of more than eighteen years, Kristen Allen, and was the proud father of twin boys, Ryan Allen and Rhett Allen; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife and children, Mr. Allen leaves to mourn his memory his loving mother-in-law and father-in-law, Ruth and Bill Gaines; special sister-in-law, Karen Allen; nieces, Kayla (Andy) Allen, Samantha Allen, and Jessica Allen (Chris) Burleson; and several dearly loved aunts, uncles, and cousins; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, and two brothers, Rocky Allen and Robert Allen; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen 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 Roger Dale Allen, 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. Allen.

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.