

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 51

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Patricia Ann Thompson of Rockwood.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing Patricia Ann Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Thompson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Pat Thompson was born on July 1, 1935, in Eureka, Utah, to Harold Eugene and Agnes Marie Larsen. She graduated from Spanish Fork High School, Brigham Young University with a bachelor's degree, and Middle Tennessee State University with a master's degree in English; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong educator, Mrs. Thompson taught at a number of different schools during her career, including Orla Vista Elementary School in Florida, Cumberland County High School, Cleveland High School, Rockwood High School, and Roane State Community College. She retired in 1997 after teaching for thirty-seven years; and

WHEREAS, Pat Thompson was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where she taught institute class for years, directed the music, and dedicated her time and efforts to a number of other areas within the church; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she will be mourned but fondly remembered by her children, Guy (Robin) Thompson, Craig (Alyssa) Thompson, and Traci (Jerry) Mioduski; her nine grandchildren, Taylor Mioduski, Alex Bowman, Cheyenne (Caleb) Wampler, Dakota Thompson, Andrew Thompson,

Madison Mioduski, Riley Thompson, Shasta Thompson, and Carson Thompson; and her great-grandchild, Harrison Wampler; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Thompson; her parents, Harold Eugene Larsen and Agnes Marie Sullivan Larsen; her siblings, Pete Larsen and Shirley Aitken; and her nephew, Virgil Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Ann Thompson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Patricia Ann Thompson, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. Thompson.

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.