

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 159

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate J.D. Barger on the celebration of his 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, J.D. Barger celebrated his 100th birthday on February 2, 2017, a milestone commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Parrottsville, J.D. Barger was born on February 2, 1917, one of three children born to Joe Barger and the former Juneau Eisenhower; and

WHEREAS, J.D. Barger attended Harned Chapel School before joining his father in operating the family farm in Barger Hollow; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barger worked with acumen and alacrity at Wall Tube and Metal products until his retirement, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the love and companionship of his wife, Aileen Nease, for seventy-three years until her passing in 2014; the couple's blessed union produced two sons, Carroll Barger and Bill Barger; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barger is the loving grandfather of five grandchildren: Amy Stevens, Chad Barger, Jon Barger, Shane Barger, and Heather Barner; and the doting great-grandfather of ten great-grandchildren: Aiden Barger, Emma Barger, Matthew Barnes, Justin Stevens, Jordan Stevens, Joshua Stevens, Grant Barger, Anna Barger, Emerys Barger, and Isadora Barger; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barger evinces his faith as a member of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, where he served as church treasurer for thirty-five years; and

WHEREAS, as J.D. Barger enters his eleventh decade, he is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate J.D. Barger on the celebration of his 100th birthday and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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