

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 197

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Homer R. Hamby of Kingston.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Homer R. Hamby; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamby 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, Homer Hamby served with acumen and alacrity as a pharmacist and was the owner of Kinser Drugs, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and customers alike for the exemplary quality of his work during his five decades of service to the Kingston community; and

WHEREAS, born on August 6, 1937, Homer Hamby was a native of Kentucky who moved with his family to Dayton, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, he attended Bryan College in Dayton and earned his undergraduate degree from that august institution before attending the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy in Memphis, from which he graduated with highest honors and where he proudly served as a member of the Rho Chi Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamby was an active and devout member of the South Harriman Church of God, which he served faithfully for many years as a trustee, as the choir director, and as a Sunday School teacher. Wholly devoted to serving his Lord, he was also a valued member of Gideons International; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamby was also deeply devoted to his family, and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-two years, Donna P. Hamby, and was the proud father and father-in-law of Vanessa O'Briant, Cameron and Jena Hamby, and Kevin and Kelly Hamby; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Mary Katherine O'Briant, Peyton O'Briant, Collin O'Briant, Rachel Hamby, Allison Hamby, and Josie Hamby, and his siblings, Lillie Shelton, Bernice Henderson, Dora Lester, Mary Webb, Emma Lee Standifer, Larry Hamby, and Bill Hamby; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hamby was preceded in death by his parents, Harve and Arvie Hamby; his brothers, Howard Hamby, Eugene Hamby, and Bobby Hamby; and his son-in-law, Michael O'Briant; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamby 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 public servant and human being; now, therefore,

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

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