SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 514

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mayor Thomas William Taylor for his meritorious service as mayor of the City of Maryville.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Thomas William Taylor has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community throughout his exemplary tenure as mayor of the City of Maryville; and

WHEREAS, born in Maryville on February 21, 1946, Mayor Taylor is the son of the late Frances Kinton and J. Wilson Taylor; he graduated from Maryville High School in 1964 and attended Maryville College, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology in 1970; and

WHEREAS, he continued his education at the University of Tennessee (UT), Knoxville, where he studied ecology; during his time at UT Knoxville, he served as both a graduate teaching assistant and graduate research assistant, and, with aid, he conducted environmental impact statement preparation of Southeast nuclear power plants; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Thomas Taylor began his career in public service in 2001 when he was elected as a member of the Maryville City Council; he was then elected as vice mayor of Maryville in 2003, and he has served assiduously as the elected mayor of Maryville since 2008; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Mayor Taylor is most grateful for the love and support he shares with his wife, Janet "Nan" Krause Taylor; their children, Robert (Katie) and Benton (Sarah); and their grandchildren, Frank, Wade, and Maggie; and WHEREAS, Mayor Thomas Taylor is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; 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 hereby commend Mayor Thomas William Taylor for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as mayor of the City of Maryville and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success..

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.