

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 538

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Ottis B. Lightfoot of Nesbit.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Ottis B. Lightfoot; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lightfoot 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, Mr. Lightfoot served with acumen and alacrity as the proprietor of Lightfoot Amoco for forty years, in which position he earned the respect of his peers, clients, and friends alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Ottis B. Lightfoot was an active and devout member of the Halliburton Missionary Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years until his health failed; and

WHEREAS, he was also a devoted member of the Halliburton Lodge #153 and Bluff City Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lightfoot was also 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, Flossie Lightfoot, and was the proud father of Valerie L. Wellington and Eric D. Lightfoot, proud grandfather of Ladonna Echols, Kimberly Echols, Edward J. Wellington, Jr., Eric D. Lightfoot, Jr., and Arnethia Watkins, proud great-grandfather of Edward J. Wellington III and Elizabeth Morrell Wellington, nephew of Texanna Hightower, and is also survived by a host of cousins, other relatives, and friends; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by parents Tom Z. Lightfoot and Ellen Nichols Lightfoot, and his son, Otis Echols; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lightfoot 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 Ottis B. Lightfoot, 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 Ottis B. Lightfoot.

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