

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 589

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to recognize Wanda Jean Daniels, Administrator of Elections for Clay County, on the occasion of her retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Wanda Jean Daniels is one such estimable person who, having served with distinction since 2008 as the Administrator of Elections for Clay County, is taking her much-deserved retirement on April 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, born on April 9, 1954, in Pearidge, Wanda Jean Daniels is the daughter of Elmer and Nellie Scott; she grew up on the family farm with her ten siblings; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Daniels worked as an employee at the Colonial Shirt Factory and Suttons in Burkesville, Kentucky, Clay Sports Ware, and finally Osh Kosh, where she accrued twenty-seven years of service; and

WHEREAS, a farming entrepreneur, she has helped her husband operate four chicken houses since 2003 and supply chickens to Tyson; and

WHEREAS, after returning to school, Mrs. Daniels obtained her GED in 2004, and, in 2006, she was elected to the Clay County Board of Education, on which she served until April 22, 2008, when she accepted the position as Administrator of Elections for Clay County, becoming the first Republican to hold that position in 122 years; and

WHEREAS, a proud member of the Republican Party since 1994, Mrs. Daniels served as the vice chair or the chair of the Clay County Republican Party for many years; and

WHEREAS, she is a faithful member of Ashlock Church of Christ, which she has served in numerous capacities over the years; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, she enjoys the love and support of her husband of fifty-one years, Lonnie Paul Daniels; her daughter and son-in-law, Vonda Daniels Weir and Tom Weir; her son, Sam Daniels; and her grandchildren, Megan, Morgan, Maggie, Matthew, Trevor, Jacob, and McKenzie; and

WHEREAS, Wanda Jean Daniels exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Wanda Jean Daniels has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; 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 extend to Wanda Jean Daniels our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

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.