

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 614

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Patricia L. Maxedon of Selmer.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Patricia L. Maxedon; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Maxedon was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Irby Basinger and Rachel Bigger Basinger, Patricia Maxedon was born on September 29, 1931; she was a 1949 graduate of Selmer High School and later graduated from Draughton's Business College in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Maxedon worked for Pickwick Electric Cooperative and with her husband, Bert, in the family business, Maxedon Oil Company; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Maxedon was an active and devout member of First United Methodist Church in Selmer, which she served faithfully for many years as church secretary; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Maxedon was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Maxedon married Bert Arnold Maxedon, Sr., on December 25, 1949, and they enjoyed sixty-seven years of marriage before his death in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Maxedon was the loving mother of Danny Maxedon and Mac Maxedon; the devoted grandmother of Brian Harris, Brooke Maxedon Chambers, Chad Maxedon, BethAnn Maxedon Teague, and Blake Maxedon; and the treasured great-grandmother of Aidan Chambers, Reeder Chambers, Ben Chambers, Samuel Maxedon, Aubrey

Maxedon, Caden Harris, Owen Teague, Quinn Teague, Carter Maxedon, Baker Maxedon, and Lola Gene Maxedon; and

WHEREAS, she is lovingly remembered by her sister, Lola McCann; her brother-in-law, Don Maxedon; her sister-in-law, Marie Maxedon; and a host of extended family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Maxedon was preceded in death by her parents and her husband; her daughter, Bonnie Maxedon Wiggins; her granddaughter, Rachal Harris; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Burtron and Lilian Reeder Maxedon; her sister-in-law, Varina Newcomb; and her brothers-in-law, Bobby McCann, Reeder Maxedon, and P.J. Maxedon; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Maxedon leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of 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 TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Patricia L. Maxedon, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. Maxedon.

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