## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 618**

## By Rose

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the employees of the Benton County Electric System for their assistance to the Covington Electric System.

WHEREAS, on the evening of Friday, March 31, 2023, a devastating line of storms lashed West Tennessee, spawning an EF-3 tornado that rampaged through Covington and Tipton County, with one person tragically killed and twenty-eight other individuals injured; and

WHEREAS, the tremendous devastation caused by the horrific storms left much of Covington and the surrounding community without power and with more than 500 buildings damaged; and

WHEREAS, rising to the occasion to help their fellow Tennesseans in need, the men and women of the Benton County Electric System answered the call for help, working around the clock to restore power and provide assistance to Covington Electric System; and

WHEREAS, their response to this emergency was an outstanding example of the dedication and hard work regularly displayed by the employees of the Benton County Electric System; and

WHEREAS, the heroic actions of the Benton County Electric System in this hazardous situation are worthy of our approbation and applause; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF

REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the employees of the Benton County

Electric System for their exemplary assistance to the Covington Electric System after the

devastating storm on March 31, 2023, and commend them on a job well done.

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.

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