## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 672**

## By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Donald Thomas "Duck" Wicks of Rockwood.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Donald Thomas "Duck" Wicks; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks 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. Wicks was born on September 12, 1937, to the late Melvin Hill Wicks and Madge Thelma Fox Wicks; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of the Department of Survey and Design for the State of Tennessee, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks was an active and devout member of the Rockwood Church of Christ, which he served faithfully for many years as a Deacon as long as his health permitted; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks served his fellow citizens with distinction as a member of the Roane County Commission from 1986-1994 and again from 2002-2006; and

WHEREAS, an active and dedicated member of his community, Mr. Wicks participated in numerous community organizations and boards, including the Rockwood Civitan Club, the Rockwood High School Class of 1955 Reunion Committee, and the Chamberlain Board; he also coached in the Rockwood Rams Program; and

WHEREAS, Don Wicks was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, June, and was the proud father of Randy (Mary) and Jeff (Lisa) and the proud grandfather of Amber, Tyler, Rachel, and Sam; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wicks is also survived by his two sisters, Wilma Walker and Judy Jolley, and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Don Wicks 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 Donald Thomas "Duck" Wicks, 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 Mr. Wicks.

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