

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 700

By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Bill Proffitt, Sr., on receiving the 2014 Community Leadership Award from Leadership Blount.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we all can be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Bill Proffitt, Sr., recipient of the 2014 Community Leadership Award from Leadership Blount, in recognition of his many contributions to his community; and

WHEREAS, he will be further recognized at the annual Community Leadership Award Breakfast at New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville on April 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, established in 2000 by Leadership Blount, the award recognizes individuals whose sustained actions and leadership reflect the commitment to lifelong service that is promoted by the organization; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Blount County and graduate of Maryville High School, Bill Proffitt owned and operated Proffitt Realty Company for over thirty-five years and was a full-time farmer until 1962; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Leadership Blount Class of 1993, Mr. Proffitt is a member and former Chairman of the Board of the Chamber of Commerce, a member and former Chairman of the Blount County Board of Realtors, and a former Chairman of the Blount County Industrial Development Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Proffitt is a past president of the Knoxville Chapter 124 Real Estate Appraisers, a former member of the Alcoa Planning Commission, and a member of the Blount County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the Alcoa Kiwanis Club since 1969, Mr. Proffitt has served on and chaired numerous committees and was honored with the William P. Hixson Award; and

WHEREAS, a man of diverse talents who enjoys woodworking, bicycling, and traveling, Bill Proffitt is a licensed pilot and won a gold medal at the Senior Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Proffitt attends New Providence Presbyterian Church of Maryville, where he serves as an elder; and

WHEREAS, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Vera Elizabeth Lusk, and their three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Bill Proffitt for his dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; 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 hereby honor and congratulate Bill Proffitt, Sr., on receiving the 2014 Community Leadership Award from Leadership Blount, thank him for his tireless service to the people of Blount County and this State, and wish him all the best in his 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.