

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 706

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of James William Howard, Jr. of Dyllis.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of James William Howard, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, James Howard 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, James William Howard, Jr., formerly of Oak Ridge, served with acumen and alacrity as Chief Fire Inspector of the Oak Ridge Fire Department, in which position he earned the respect of his colleagues and community alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, he was an active member of the Faith Masonic Lodge No. 756 and Order of the Eastern Star No. 390; and

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

WHEREAS, James Howard enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Trenda Lynn Tackett Howard, and was the proud father of James William Howard III and Catherine Elizabeth Howard Tunkel, and grandfather of Jacob William Nathaniel Tunkel and Rebekah Lynn Tunkel; and

WHEREAS, he is further survived by his sister, Martha Louise Gullett; niece, Debra Denis Markelonis; great-niece, Deanna Elizabeth Markelonis; and great-nephew, Tyler Wayne West; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, James William Howard, Sr., and Sarah Elizabeth Dennis Howard; a grandson, Joseph William Howard; and his brother-in-law, Donald Wayne Gullett; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Howard 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 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 ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of James William Howard, Jr., 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 James William Howard, Jr.

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.