

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1155

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Patsy Fly Perry upon being named 2009 Woman of the Year by the Milan Chamber of Commerce.

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 can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Patsy Perry, who was recently named 2009 Milan Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year at the Chamber's membership banquet on April 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the visionary owner of McNail Insurance and Garden Pleasures restaurant and a founder of the Milan Downtown Association, Mrs. Perry works assiduously to promote Milan and improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, a 1965 Milan graduate, Patsy Perry is now known to and considered a friend of hundreds of people in West Tennessee and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Perry was a valued employee at many Milan businesses, including the engineering department at ITT, while she earned her engineering degree; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Perry is most grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, Jere, with whom she raised a family and who has been her business partner at McNail Insurance and Garden Pleasures restaurant, gift shop, and wedding chapel; they also renovated the former Cumberland Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, truly seeking to make Milan a better place to live and work, she has served in many organizations, including insurance boards, and has earned awards such as the Million Dollar Club; she has spearheaded efforts to revitalize downtown and is an active and devout member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Perry is a dedicated civic leader who has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through her stalwart work ethic and dedication to the city of Milan; and

WHEREAS, Patsy Perry epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Patsy Fly Perry on being named 2009 Woman of the Year by the Milan Chamber of Commerce, thank her for her meritorious service to the citizens of Milan and the State of Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

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