

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1162

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to recognize Hoskins Drug Store of Clinton, Tennessee, on the occasion of its 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

WHEREAS, the elected representatives of Tennessee take great pride in recognizing those estimable business owners who contribute significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, three generations of the Hoskins family have owned and operated the illustrious Hoskins Drug Store in downtown Clinton for eighty years; and

WHEREAS, opened on April 15, 1930, by R.C. "Dudley" Hoskins, the original Hoskins Drug Store was located on Market Street; he would open another store on Main Street in 1947 and eventually operate as many as thirteen Hoskins stores across East Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, now operated by Mr. Hoskins daughters, Mollie Scarborough and Dudley Bostic, and his granddaughter, Mollie "M." Bostic Farrar, Hoskins Drug Store has witnessed many changes in the pharmacy business since 1930, when drug compounding was the general practice and medicines came in bags filled with powder; and

WHEREAS, a local landmark to generations of Anderson County residents, Hoskins Drug Store's primary location, across from the Anderson County Courthouse in Clinton, draws lawyers, politicians, and courthouse workers during the week at lunchtime with its soda fountain and lunch counter; and

WHEREAS, an independent drug store, Hoskins's special attention to customer service over the years has unquestionably contributed to the longevity of the business, dating back to founder R.C. Hoskins, and continued today with his children and his children's children; and

WHEREAS, businesses such as Hoskins Drug Store are truly the backbone of American society, as they combine the spirit of entrepreneurship with the morality of family values and honesty and integrity in the public sector; 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 honor and commend Mollie Scarbrough, Dudley Bostic, and Mollie "M." Bostic Farrar, their employees, and the entire Hoskins family on the occasion of Hoskins Drug Store celebrating eighty years in business and extend to these exemplary Tennesseans our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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