SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1384

By Walley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Sarah Belle Day of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Sarah Belle Day; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Day was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 1939, Sarah Belle Day was born to George and Velma Alexander Day in Somerville; and

WHEREAS, she attended Memphis State University and graduated with both her bachelor's and master's degrees; deeply passionate about education and continued learning, she retained a constant dedication and commitment to her own personal growth; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Day began her teaching career of fifty-seven years at Fayette County High School; she later moved to Fayette Academy, where she spent the majority of her career in education, inspiring and impacting the lives of her students; and

WHEREAS, a devout and faithful woman, Ms. Day served as the pianist for Somerville United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Day was a woman of many hobbies and interests; in addition to following Memphis State basketball, she enjoyed shopping at Lonis in Collierville, conversing with former students, and spending time with her pets and family, particularly her great-nieces and great-nephews; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her sister, Alice Exum, and a host of other family and friends; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Thomas Day; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Day leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Sarah Belle Day, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Ms. Day.

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.