## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7003

## By Yager

## A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Gary Lynn Bailey of Harriman.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Gary Lynn Bailey; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey was a highly respected member of his community and a consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Gary Bailey graduated with the last class of South Harriman High School in 1963, where he excelled as a student and as a member of the football team; he continued to play football at Carson-Newman University, from which he received a Bachelor of Science degree, and he later earned an education specialist degree and a master's degree from Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, from 1967 to 1969, Mr. Bailey honorably served his nation as a sergeant in the United States Army; he participated in multiple operations in the Korean Demilitarized Zone and earned the Imjin Scout Badge for his commendable service; and

WHEREAS, Gary Bailey began his illustrious teaching career as a math instructor at South Harriman Middle School and later taught at Harriman Middle School; and

WHEREAS, after serving as the defensive coordinator of the football team at Harriman High School, he won acclaim as the team's head coach from 1987 to 2001; Mr. Bailey took his well-deserved retirement as assistant principal of Harriman High School in 2006; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his family, he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Gary Bailey enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-seven years, Edith Nagle Bailey; also left to cherish his memory are his daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and Kris Mynatt, and his granddaughters, Bailey Mynatt and Abigail Mynatt; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Woodrow and Ruby Bailey, and his brother, Kenneth Bailey; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey 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 we should 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 Gary Lynn Bailey, 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 Mr. Bailey.

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.