

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1183  
By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dan Campbell McCall.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Dan Campbell McCall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCall's radiated God's love and evinced the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; through his great capacity for love, dedication of spirit, and faith in God, he enriched the lives of others throughout his tenure in this world; and

WHEREAS, born in Elizabethton on September 7, 1936, he graduated from Elizabethton High School in 1955; a dedicated lifelong learner, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Philosophy from Vanderbilt University in 1960, a Master of Divinity degree from Emmanuel School of Religion in 1971, a Master of Psychology degree from Ball State University in 1982, and a Doctorate of Divinity degree in Counseling from Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta in 1983; and

WHEREAS, from 1963 until 1971, this patriotic American served with honor and courage as an armor officer in the United States Army, and he ministered to the spiritual needs of his fellow soldiers from 1971 until 1991 as a Chaplain; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community and his profession, he was a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, was board certified by the Board of Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists and Clinical Pastoral Therapists, and served in marriage seminars for numerous church groups in fourteen states and overseas from 1986-2002; and

WHEREAS, after completing his noble service to the military, Mr. McCall shared his vast wealth of wisdom and knowledge with the next generation of ministers and counselors through meritorious service as an Adjunct Professor at Emmanuel School of Religion in Johnson City from 1991-2001; and

WHEREAS, he also earned the respect and admiration of his brothers and sisters in Christ while serving as a pastor and family enrichment services provider for various churches over thirty years, including Buffalo Christian Church and First Christian Churches in Kingsport and Abingdon; and

WHEREAS, most recently, he was a Co-Founder of Family Life Ministries, Inc., where he served from 1991-2002, and an active member of Avoca Christian Church in Bristol; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCall was blessed with a great and loving heart for God's work and a magnetic personality; throughout his life, he distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to his community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, he was also committed to the highest ideals of family values; he shared great love and companionship with his wife of forty-five years, Mary Jo (Jody) Spradlyn McCall, and was the loving father of three daughters and sons-in-law, Deborah and Ross Brodfuehrer, Marie Christine and John Sighting, and Joanne and Rod Larson, and two sons and daughters-in-law, Dan Campbell McCall II and Leslie McCall and James Patrick and Denise McCall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCall was the proud grandfather of sixteen grandchildren, Christopher, Ben, Elizabeth, and Joshua Brodfuehrer; Natalie and Nicole Sighting; Travis, Justin, Brittany,

and Cody Larson; Katelyn, Anna, Campbell, Max, and Maddie Jo McCall, and Courtney McCall and one cherished great-granddaughter, Sophia Brodfuehrer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCall's outstanding career as a dynamic and compassionate pastor and active civic leader was directly attributable to his reliance on God's grace, his dedication to the time-honored values of hard work and common sense, and his uncommon ability to relate to people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, an unwavering commitment to the work of his Creator and Savior, the betterment of the lives of the people in his congregation, and a deep concern for the welfare of all humanity were hallmarks of Mr. McCall's life and career; and

WHEREAS, it is not often that a man of Dan Campbell McCall's stature walks among us, and it is important that we pay tribute to his strong character, many selfless good works, life of purpose, and his unwavering commitment to God; and

WHEREAS, he leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Dan Campbell McCall, 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. McCall.

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