

SENATE BILL 1917
By Jackson

AN ACT to name the new facility housing The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy at The University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis in honor of former Representative Floyd Crain.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should permanently commemorate the accomplishments of those statesmen who have served this State with the greatest acumen and dedication; and

WHEREAS, former Representative Floyd Harrell Crain is a well-rounded gentleman who has served astutely in the diverse worlds of pharmacy, business, politics, and government; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious tenure in the General Assembly, Representative Crain served his constituents and all other citizens of Tennessee with the utmost professionalism, probity, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Floyd Crain served the good people of Lauderdale and Haywood counties for sixteen years as a member of the Tennessee House of Representatives, always working with purpose and conviction to establish a brighter future for his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Representative Crain was an astute and eager participant in the legislative process while diligently upholding the duties of House Majority Floor Leader and Chairman of the West Tennessee Democratic Caucus at various times during his tenure on Capitol Hill; and

WHEREAS, a Lauderdale County native who attended Memphis State University as an undergraduate, Floyd Crain earned his doctoral degree in Pharmacy from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, selected an Outstanding Alumnus of The University of Tennessee in 1990, he has served his alma mater well as President of The University of Tennessee National Alumni

Association and as a member of the UT College of Pharmacy Dean's Advisory Committee and the Feurt Committee for many years; and

WHEREAS, after completing his education, Representative Crain was a soldier in the United States Army from 1953-1956; he served courageously with the Medical Corps in Korea for eighteen months before being discharged at the rank of First Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, following his military service, Mr. Crain returned to his hometown of Ripley to establish Crain's Pharmacy in 1960 and Harmon Drug and Medic Discount Pharmacy in 1978; he has also co-owned Jones Hospital Pharmacy in Dyersburg; and

WHEREAS, previous to his exemplary tenure in the General Assembly, Representative Crain had already established a lofty reputation for commitment to the public good by serving as an Alderman for the City of Ripley; and

WHEREAS, ever one to shoulder the mantle of civic responsibility, Representative Crain serves on the Board of Trustees of Lambuth University; and

WHEREAS, a true Renaissance man, Floyd Crain is a Paul Harris Fellow and Past President of the Ripley Rotary Club, Past President of the Ripley Shrine Club, and Past President of the Lauderdale Forestry Association, and has been active in adult education in his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crain is an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Ripley, where he has formerly served with distinction as Chairman of the Administrative Board and in numerous other positions; and

WHEREAS, he is also part owner of a local radio station in Ripley and has numerous farming and business interests; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Representative Crain enjoys the love and support of his wife, Joann Biggs Crain; their three fine children, Steven Crain, Temple

Stevenson, and Ellen Thomison; and their two grandchildren, Sarah and Samuel Stevenson;
and

WHEREAS, Representative Floyd Crain has played an important role in making The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy one of the top ten pharmacy schools in the nation, and he should be appropriately honored for his many fruitful endeavors in service of his alma mater and its continued excellence as an institution of higher learning; now, therefore,
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the new facility housing The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy at The University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis is hereby named in honor of Representative Floyd Harrell Crain as a lasting tribute to one of the most outstanding citizens and public servants this State has ever produced.

SECTION 2. The President of The University of Tennessee is directed to erect or affix suitable signs designating the new facility housing The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy at The University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis as "Floyd Crain Hall".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.