

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 89
By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. F. Keith Guinn on the occasion of his retirement from Nuclear Fuel Services, Incorporated.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, F. Keith Guinn is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for nearly 44 years with Nuclear Fuel Services, Incorporated (NFS) in a variety of laboratory, production, and management positions before becoming Vice President; and

WHEREAS, while attending college, Mr. Guinn began his career on June 19, 1961, as a Technician Trainee; and

WHEREAS, after achieving a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from East Tennessee State University in 1964, Mr. Guinn continued his work as a Chemist in the NFS analytical laboratory, where his career-long association with the development of naval fuels was established; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Guinn's proficiency and aptitude for his work earned him a series of promotions in NFS; he was designated Product Manager for the naval fuel manufacturing plant, later became NFS' Production Manager, and then Operations Manager, in which position he adeptly maintained responsibility for all aspects of NFS' production facilities; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1980s, F. Keith Guinn he was named Plant Manager at the Erwin site, and he effectively led the company to several successful years before becoming Principal Scientist and fixing his focus on bringing a suspended naval fuel program back to life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Guinn's triumph in achieving that goal resulted in his designation as an NFS Vice President in 1996, assigning him responsibility for the overall operation of the NFS naval nuclear fuel development program; and

WHEREAS, he also contributed to the safety and protection of NFS employees and their community by contributing his technical expertise and intimate knowledge of the plant to the Emergency Response Organization, thereby strengthening the organization's response capacities; and

WHEREAS, as he enters upon his well-deserved retirement, Mr. Guinn will be able to devote more time to his interests, which include woodworking, gardening, and exploring the world through travel; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding gentleman is indeed fortunate to share love and companionship with his wife, Linda, and their three sons Brian, Eric, and Nathan, as well as one sister, Beatrice; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Guinn exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean through both scientific and business development in service of a greater cause; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Guinn has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we join with the officers and employees of Nuclear Fuel Services, Incorporated, and the family and many friends of F. Keith Guinn, in commending Mr. Guinn, dedicated scientist, family man, and friend, for his outstanding career and offer Mr. Guinn our best wishes for much happiness in the years to come and every success and satisfaction in all his future endeavors.

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