

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1222

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Hubert J. Wilder of Sneedville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Hubert J. Wilder; and

WHEREAS, Hubert Wilder was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilder served with acumen and alacrity as Hancock County Tax Assessor and then with the Hancock Farmer Cooperative, serving as manager for fourteen years during his forty-two illustrious years of employment; in these positions, he earned the respect of his co-workers and the community alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, one of ten children born to Chris and Mae Wilder, Hubert Wilder grew up during a time when gospel music was flourishing and singing schools were popular in rural churches; and

WHEREAS, a talented performer who sang high tenor, Mr. Wilder lent his significant musical abilities to the Duck Creek Quartet, which he helped form in 1938; his favorite song was *Golden Shoes*; and

WHEREAS, Hubert Wilder bravely served his country for three years as a proud member of the United States Army, distinguishing himself with valor and intrepidity; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of Duck Creek Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for more than thirty-five years as Church Clerk; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilder was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of more than sixty-five years, Brownie Greene, and was the proud father of Keith Wilder and Jayne Williams, both of whom predeceased him, and Rosanne Johnson and Kevin Wilder; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilder will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Casey, Roman, Paxton, Jasmine, Ashton, Brittney, and Jason, as well as his great-grandchildren, Isaac, Lucas, and Nocona; and

WHEREAS, Hubert J. Wilder 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 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Hubert J. Wilder, 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. Wilder.

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