

SENATE RESOLUTION 207

By Williams

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Faustene Turner Dukes of Luttrell.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Faustene Turner Dukes; and

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

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Luttrell, Mrs. Dukes was a highly respected member of her community; and

WHEREAS, Faustene Dukes was an active and devout member of the Alior Dale Baptist Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dukes was preceded in death by her parents, Hazel and Hatti Turner, and her sisters, Wanda Johnson and Ann Turner; and

WHEREAS, Faustene Turner Dukes enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Doyle Dukes, Sr., and was the proud mother of Melbia Cooke, Mary Lou Anderson, Patsy Owens, Jerline Hickey, Doyle Dukes, Jr., and the late Donald Dukes; and

WHEREAS, she is further survived by her brother and his wife, Randolph and Carol Turner; daughter-in-law, Donna Dukes; grandchildren, Doyle and Ricky Dukes, Kristen and Shannon Anderson, Heather Cooke, Pamela Gaines, Kimberly Davis, Scott Hickey, Mark, Tom, and Dale Sawyers, and Aaron Arnwine; several great-grandchildren; and many friends; and

WHEREAS, Faustene Dukes leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Mrs. Faustene Turner Dukes, reflecting fondly upon her 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 Mrs. Dukes.

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