

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 725

By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Tommy Hodges
of Dickson.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Tommy Hodges; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodges 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, a member of the Greatest Generation, Tommy Hodges bravely served his nation in the United States Army during World War II, gallantly fighting in both the Battle of the Bulge and the Battle of the Rhineland; and

WHEREAS, possessing the rare ability to transform a vision into a dynamic business achievement, Mr. Hodges listened to his entrepreneurial spirit in 1946 and founded and successfully operated Hodges Jewelers; because of his compassionate nature and unparalleled integrity, Mr. Hodges won the unbridled respect and admiration of his employees and customers alike; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodges served with acumen and alacrity for nearly forty years as a member of the Board of Directors of the Bank of Dickson; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a wise and diligent businessman, Tommy Hodges was a dedicated civic leader who distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through his work with numerous organizations, including the Dickson Masonic Lodge No. 468, the Order of the Eastern Star, Shriners International, Scottish Rite Masons, York Rite Masons, and the Dickson Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Hodges was an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church of Dickson, which he served faithfully for many years; and

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

WHEREAS, Tommy Hodges 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Tommy Hodges, 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 Tommy Hodges.

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