

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 726

By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John T. Conners, Jr., of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of John T. Conners, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Conners 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, renowned for his knowledge and abilities throughout Middle Tennessee, John Conners was a respected attorney and a partner in the Boulton, Cummings, Conners, and Berry law firm, in which position he earned the respect of his peers for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, described as the "consummate trial lawyer and gentleman," John Conners was born on March 25, 1920, in Nashville and graduated in 1937 from Father Ryan High School; and

WHEREAS, after attending Vanderbilt University, Mr. Conners began practicing law in 1948 following his graduation from Vanderbilt Law School; and

WHEREAS, having established himself as a defense attorney in civil litigation cases, Mr. Conners began serving as a plaintiff attorney in 1980. He brought his considerable talents and expertise to that role for the remainder of his career; and

WHEREAS, he was named as a partner in his firm in 1971 and continued to contribute his time and energies to Boulton, Cummings, Conners, and Berry until four years ago, when his declining health prevented him from doing so; and

WHEREAS, a conscientious and concerned citizen, John Conners served on a number of boards, including those of Saint Thomas Hospital and the Middle Tennessee Medical Center; and

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

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his nine children, twenty-nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, John Conners 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 John T. Conners, Jr., 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. Conners.

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