

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 944

By Henry

A RESOLUTION to recognize Edna Holland on the occasion of her retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Edna Holland is one such estimable person who served this State with the utmost distinction for thirty-seven years before taking a much deserved retirement on June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holland began her laudable career in the Tennessee Department of Transportation in 1961, serving for two years before pursuing endeavors outside of the public sector; and

WHEREAS, in 1975, Mrs. Holland returned to her career in public service as a legislative staff member, in which position she served this State with valor and dignity until 1995; and

WHEREAS, during her last seventeen years with the legislature, she worked as an assistant to former Lieutenant Governor John Wilder; and

WHEREAS, after transitioning out of state government in 1995, Edna Holland became a lobbyist for the Tennessee Municipal League's Risk Management Pool, for which she has admirably served for the past fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, a valuable resource to city officials and state legislators alike, upon her retirement she will take with her a tremendous amount of knowledge about municipal insurance needs, the Pool's operations, and sound risk management principles; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mrs. Holland has demonstrated an integrity, professionalism, ability, and knowledge that, over time, caused many legislators,

legislative staff, and fellow lobbyists to turn to her as a source of clarity on an array of subjects;
and

WHEREAS, the occasion of her retirement will grant Mrs. Holland merited opportunity to spend more time with her husband, children, and grandchildren, and as a talented athlete, she will also be able to hone her already formidable golf game; and

WHEREAS, Edna Holland exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; 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 thank Edna Holland for her life of dedicated service of the citizens of Tennessee and extend to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her 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.