

HOUSE RESOLUTION 161

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A RESOLUTION to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sequatchie County Courthouse.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause to specially recognize those venerable public buildings and structures that have become integral to the State's collective identity and cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Sequatchie County Courthouse, which celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2011, is certainly one such worthy building that is steeped in the rich history of Tennessee and the U.S. South; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1911, County Judge J.H. Heard and his fellow justices approved the sale of \$12,000 worth of county bonds for the purpose of erecting a distinguished courthouse for their beloved county; and

WHEREAS, for the past century, the Sequatchie County Courthouse has stood resolute, adroitly serving the purpose for which it was originally designed: to provide a space for paying taxes, passing resolutions, recording deeds and minutes, conducting court proceedings, performing marriages, and setting tax rates; and

WHEREAS, while the building and the equipment resting inside its noble walls have undergone various additions and modifications throughout the years, the extraordinary dedication and attention to detail exhibited by each of Sequatchie County's elected officials has remained the same, whether they were executing their duties by quill, pen, or computer; and

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance that, when an occasion such as the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sequatchie County Courthouse arises, the people of this State grasp the opportunity to celebrate their collective history and the culture of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby join with the citizens of Sequatchie County in celebrating the centennial of the Sequatchie County Courthouse and applaud this vital Tennessee historical landmark as well as the history and high ideals it has come to symbolize; and

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