

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 116

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A RESOLUTION to commend Senator Ferrell Haile for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this body should honor those fellow legislators who have performed their duties with the utmost probity and whose efforts during their time in office have been dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their community and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Senator Ferrell Haile of Gallatin is one such distinguished public servant who has served his constituency and this legislative body with honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, appointed by the Sumner County Commission to occupy the seat vacated by Senator Diane Black, Senator Haile has served the people of the 18th Senatorial District of Sumner and Robertson counties with diligence and integrity; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as Senator, Ferrell Haile has conducted himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community and the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Ferrell Haile's peerless commitment to the democratic process is evidenced by the fifteen bills he has filed this session and his sterling service as a member of the Environment, Conservation and Tourism Committee and as Secretary of the General Welfare, Health and Human Resources Committee, and

WHEREAS, a member of the Government Operations Committee, Senator Haile has capably served as Chair of the Joint Government Operations State and Local Subcommittee and as Chair of the Joint Government Operations General Welfare, Health and Human Resources Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, the son of a school teacher and farmer, Ferrell Haile was born on December 2, 1946, and was raised in Sumner County where he graduated from Gallatin High School; and

WHEREAS, a pharmacist and farmer, Senator Haile attended David Lipscomb College and is a 1970 graduate of the University of Tennessee-Memphis College of Pharmacy; he has been co-owner of Perkins Drugs and Gift Shoppe in Gallatin since 1985 and carries on the family tradition of cattle farming as owner of Haile Farms; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Tennessee Pharmacist Association, Ferrell Haile is also a member of the National Community Pharmacists Association and a board member of the Sumner County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Senator Haile is a longtime member and former president of both the Gallatin Morning Rotary Club and the Gallatin Rotary Club, Noon and currently serves on a number of Boards of Directors, including American Pharmacy Cooperative, Inc., Christian Towers of Gallatin, World Christian Broadcasting, and Southeast Community Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, a member of Leadership Sumner Alumni, Senator Haile is also a member of the Gallatin Chamber of Commerce, the Tennessee Cattlemen's Association, and the National Rifle Association; and

WHEREAS, a faithful member of the Church of Christ, Ferrell Haile is an elder at Station Camp Church of Christ and is a former deacon at Hartsville Pike Church of Christ where he taught Bible class for many years, in addition to working with the Hartsville Pike Summer Bible Camp; and

WHEREAS, Ferrell Haile is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Senator Ferrell Haile is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife, Kay; their four children, Katie, JB, Daniel and Melody, and their four treasured grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Ferrell Haile is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Senator Ferrell Haile for his estimable service to Tennessee as a member of the General Assembly, thank him for his tireless work in service of the good people of Senate District 18, and commend him for his contributions and good works in service of this State's citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to Senator Haile our best wishes for continued success in his 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.