

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 384

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ada Rogan 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 careers; and

WHEREAS, Ada Rogan is one such estimable person, a steadfast citizen of distinction who for 50 plus years has been Rogersville's most popular and beloved bank teller; and

WHEREAS, recently, Ada Rogan's many friends and loyal customers have showered her with good wishes and kindest regards as she is retiring from public work and pursuing a lifestyle of relaxation at her leisure; and

WHEREAS, this day, Ada Rogan continues living in the same home on the same farm where she was raised on East Main Street in Rogersville, and so great is her pleasure in her community that she vows she would not live elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from Rogersville High School where she had gained renown as the head majorette and state-level baton twirling competitor in 1958, Ada Rogan studied at East Tennessee State University and performed as head majorette with the marching band, and ultimately she attended business school in Kingsport; and

WHEREAS, Ada Rogan continued with her love of baton twirling by teaching twirling lessons and ultimately establishing her own twirling school, thanks to the benevolence of the local rescue squad who gave use of their building; in return, Ada Rogan's twirlers did charitable work, held fundraisers, and gave their unbridled support to this most important organization, and Ada Rogan, as their stalwart leader, was named the first-ever Honorary Rescue Squad Member; and

WHEREAS, her banking career was fledgling when she became a teller at the her family's newly established bank, First National Bank of Rogersville; and through multiple

changes in ownership over a half of a century of time, Ada Rogan has faithfully remained at her teller window station, save a ten-year period of time when she participated in the opening of a sister branch of the bank in Surgoinsville; and

WHEREAS, as much a mainstay of the business of main street Americana as the local doctor, pharmacist and drugstore, lawyer, courthouse, and judge, Ada Rogan has served generations of Hawkins Countians honestly, justly, and with genuine enjoyment; it has been said of her that she is so much a part of banking in Rogersville that she actually goes with the bank building itself; and

WHEREAS, Ada Rogan exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; she is beloved, appreciated, and treasured by folks all across Hawkins County and even beyond, and it is fitting that this legislative body take note of the special occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Ada Rogan 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.