

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 31

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Beth Alexander 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 public service; and

WHEREAS, Beth Alexander is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as president and chief executive officer of the Crossville-Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce for more than thirty-four years and who will soon be taking a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, during her impressive tenure, Mrs. Alexander guided the chamber towards many achievements, including orchestrating two expansions of the Chamber of Commerce, establishing the Chamber Foundation for Leadership and Education, overseeing the chamber's pioneering participation in the Retire Tennessee Program, growing the small community chamber into a more than 600-member organization, and bringing the United States Chess Federation National Headquarters to Crossville; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her integral role in local development, she was the recipient of the 2009 Excellence in Business Leadership by the Upper Cumberland Business Journal; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her professional commitments, Mrs. Alexander has served as a national board member of the American Association of Retirement Communities and a member of the Southern Industrial Development Council and the Tennessee Industrial Development Council; and

WHEREAS, she has also been an avid supporter of various charitable and community organizations, such as the United Fund of Cumberland County, American Cancer Society, Exchange Club of Cumberland County, Young Marines, and American Chess Foundation; and

WHEREAS, in her retirement, Mrs. Alexander looks forward to spending more time with her loving and supportive husband, Don Alexander, her children, Christopher, Sarah, and Kevin, and her seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Beth Alexander has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of the good people of Cumberland County and the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor Beth Alexander on her exceptional thirty-four-year career as president and chief executive officer of the Crossville-Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce, commend her meritorious service to the citizens of the State 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.