

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 587

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize First Tennessee on the occasion of its 150th anniversary.

WHEREAS, First Tennessee was founded in 1864 when Abraham Lincoln was president and for the past 150 years has earned the trust of Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee has continued to serve customers through the Civil War, a yellow fever epidemic, two world wars, the Great Depression, and the Great Recession; and

WHEREAS, from its founding in Memphis, First Tennessee has expanded into all regions of the state and beyond and has the leading market share in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee creates a significant economic impact in the state by providing more than 4,000 jobs, paying taxes, and purchasing from local vendors; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee has been recognized as an employer of choice by AARP, Working Mother, American Banker, and the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee, through the First Tennessee Foundation, invests in the communities it serves by supporting financial literacy, education, economic development, health, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee encourages a volunteer spirit among its employees that results in thousands of hours of service to non-profit agencies; and

WHEREAS, First Tennessee is building the foundation for its next 150 years of service to its customers, employees, communities, and shareholders; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and recognize the management, employees, customers,

and shareholders as they commemorate First Tennessee's 150th anniversary on March 25, 2014.

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