

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 334

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Murlice and Alma Carpenter on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 1965, Murlice and Alma Carpenter were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter are highly respected citizens of the Rogersville community; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Murlice Carpenter retired from Holliston Mills Inc. and the Surgoinsville Fire Department, where he served as fire chief for thirty-three years; and

WHEREAS, Alma Carpenter served the Hawkins County school system as a cook at Surgoinsville Elementary before entering into retirement; and

WHEREAS, the Carpenters are the proud parents of Mike Carpenter, Kathy (Darrell) Weatherly, JoAnn (Ken) Viars, Johnny Carpenter, and Shona (Keith) Barrett; grandparents of Stacy, Rebecca (Jason), Joe, Josh (Christina), Wesley, Allison, and Beth; and great-grandparents of Braxton, Bryant, and Brodie; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2015, the couple celebrated their fiftieth anniversary with family and friends at House Chapel Church in Rogersville; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Carpenters's are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Murlice and Alma Carpenter on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

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