

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1003

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Peggy Lambert and John Ryder for their outstanding service to the Republican National Committee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, two such noteworthy persons are Peggy Lambert and John Ryder, who have rendered astute service to the Republican National Committee; and

WHEREAS, Peggy Lambert is a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and the Grady Hospital School of Nursing; and

WHEREAS, involved in the Republican Party since 1971, Mrs. Lambert has served two terms as a Republican National Committeewoman, two terms as Vice Chair of the Tennessee Republican Party, and attended seven Republican National Conventions; and

WHEREAS, a former Blount County Republican Woman of the Year, Peggy Lambert has also served with acumen and alacrity as a campaign manager in a number of political races, scoring several victories; and

WHEREAS, highly respected and admired by her fellow Republicans, Peggy Lambert has received such prestigious honors as the Statesman of the Year award and the Thomas Jefferson Award; and

WHEREAS, a prominent attorney with the firm of Harris Shelton in Memphis, John Ryder is a graduate of Wabash College and earned his Juris Doctorate at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ryder's practice is focused on the areas of bankruptcy, workouts, commercial litigation, and election law. He serves as the litigation counsel for the Shelby County Election Commission and is an adjunct professor of law at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, John Ryder is currently the General Counsel to the Republican National Committee and vice president of the Republican National Lawyers Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ryder's many contributions to the Republican National Committee include service as Chairman of the Redistricting Committee, Chairman of the Presidential Nominating Schedule Committee, and as the Republican National Committeeman for Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Peggy Lambert and John Ryder epitomize the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Peggy Lambert and John Ryder for their dedication to the Republican National Committee and the State of Tennessee and its citizens; 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 commend Peggy Lambert and John Ryder for their outstanding service to the Republican National Committee and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success in their 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.