

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1037

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Katherine Minor Walker on the occasion of her retirement from the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System.

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 industry; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Minor Walker is one such estimable person who has served with distinction in the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System and who will be embarking upon a much deserved retirement on May 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Clarksville, Katherine Minor Walker has served for eighteen years in the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System at Richview Middle School as a permanent substitute teacher and administrative assistant; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work as an educator, Katherine Walker is an ordained minister; she and her late husband established New Jerusalem 5 Fold Ministries, where she served as co-pastor until her husband's passing in 2010. She was ordained in 2011 and assumed the role of pastor; and

WHEREAS, she has also served as a Sunday School teacher, assistant teacher, director of music, president of the Missionary Society, church clerk, youth advisor, and pastor advisor; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walker is an active and important part of her community, and extends her love of serving others into a prison ministry and a nursing home ministry; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Walker was married to Pastor Elvin A. Walker for twenty years until his passing; she is the proud mother of one daughter, Mary Walker Franklin, and the loving grandmother of five grandchildren: Damoni, Ever, Alana, Jada, and Merci; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Walker exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Katherine Walker has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; 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 congratulate Katherine Minor Walker on the occasion of her retirement from the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System, applaud her dedication to the students 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.