

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1070

By Moody

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the 155th anniversary reenactment of The Battle of Shiloh.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those outstanding events that bring history alive, thus making our past accessible and appealing to the average person; and

WHEREAS, The Battle of Shiloh will be reenacted on the occasion of its 155th anniversary on March 31-April 2, 2017; and

WHEREAS, also known as The Battle of Pittsburg Landing, The Battle of Shiloh took place from April 6 to April 7, 1862, and was one of the major early engagements of the Civil War; the battle began when the Confederate Army launched a surprise attack on Union forces under General Ulysses S. Grant in southwestern Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, after initial success, the Confederates were unable to hold their positions and were forced back, resulting in a Union victory; both sides suffered heavy losses, and the level of violence shocked North and South alike; and

WHEREAS, in the bloodiest and most horrific two-day battle in American history at the time, Union and Confederate forces combined experienced over 23,000 casualties at The Battle of Shiloh; and

WHEREAS, thousands of reenactment troops, representing both Union and Confederate forces, from the great State of Tennessee, across the U.S., and around the globe will gather together to hold a family-oriented interactive living history event to honor the 155th anniversary of The Battle of Shiloh; and

WHEREAS, we commend the event's focus on the education of the general public, and especially our school children, about a pivotal event in not only Tennessee history, but in American history as well; and

WHEREAS, the 155th anniversary reenactment of The Battle of Shiloh will help preserve history for the edification and enjoyment of present and future generations and is most deserving of our approbation; 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 honor and recognize the 155th anniversary reenactment of The Battle of Shiloh on March 31-April 2, 2017.

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