

HOUSE RESOLUTION 132

By Faison

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize "Digger" Manes and Mark Ramsey.

WHEREAS, the members of this body take great pleasure in recognizing those persons who have remained true to Appalachian traditions and who are dedicated to preserving those traditions for future generations; and

WHEREAS, two such sterling traditionalists are "Digger" Manes and Mark Ramsey, co-stars of the Discovery Channel television program, *Moonshiners*; and

WHEREAS, trained by the legendary "Popcorn" Sutton, Digger Manes is fond of experimenting with new ingredients and refining his moonshine recipes; and

WHEREAS, possessing a "sense of humor as dry as malted corn," Digger plans to revolutionize the craft of making moonshine by developing new tastes with his partner, Mark Ramsey, while maintaining traditional techniques to keep moonshine alive for the next generation; and

WHEREAS, formerly the still maker for Popcorn Sutton, Mark Ramsey has dedicated his craft to preserving traditional moonshine while introducing a host of new flavors and innovative brewing techniques; and

WHEREAS, on the present season of *Moonshiners*, Digger and Mark are using their new two-pot still to brew their latest product, blended apple rye brandy; and

WHEREAS, in addition to bringing joy to moonshine enthusiasts with their innovative and tasty products, Digger and Mark are bringing pleasure to the loyal viewers of *Moonshiners*; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and recognize

"Digger" Manes and Mark Ramsey and their television show, *Moonshiners*, and wish these gifted craftsmen all the best in their distilling endeavors.

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