

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 731

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to recognize Janet Evans on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of service; and

WHEREAS, Janet Evans is one such estimable person, who served with distinction for thirty-eight years as a senior environmental associate for Eastman Chemical Company and who took a much deserved retirement in February 2016; and

WHEREAS, a beloved daughter of Tennessee, Ms. Evans earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Tennessee Technological University in 1973; and

WHEREAS, as a professional engineer highly esteemed by her peers, Janet Evans rendered sterling service on the Tennessee Solid Waste Control Board, the Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Industry (TCCI) Environment and Energy Committee, and the TCCI Solid Waste Subcommittee, which she served as co-chair; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career, Ms. Evans worked tirelessly to address a myriad of environmental issues on behalf of her employer and the State of Tennessee; she proved instrumental in the development of the solid and hazardous waste management programs within the Department of Environment and Conservation; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, Eastman Chemical Company was one of the first in the nation to comply with the National Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Hazardous Waste Combustors; and

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

WHEREAS, she is the proud mother of Paul and Rachel and the grandmother of Olivia and Branton; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Evans has given generously of her time and talents to a number of worthy volunteer organizations, including Interfaith Hospitality, Contact Concern, Celebrate Recovery, and Saint Dominic's Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career in the environmental industry, Ms. Evans demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues, and she should be applauded for her distinguished career with Eastman Chemical Company, her efforts to protect the environment of our State, and the partnership she nurtured for so many years with the Department of Environment and Conservation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Janet Evans 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.