

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 35

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Herbert Hughes Pipkin of Macon County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Herbert Hughes Pipkin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Herbert Pipkin was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on July 4, 1929, to the late Fred and Ruth Pipkin, Dr. Pipkin served in the Korean War as a lab technician and X-ray technician in an Army Field Hospital from 1950 to 1953; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis in 1965, Dr. Herbert Pipkin returned to Macon County and became the first eye doctor in Lafayette; he retired in the mid-1990s; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to serving people, he volunteered his skills and time to help preserve or restore the gift of sight to those in impoverished countries, and he assisted those impacted by Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pipkin was an active and devout member of Lafayette United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pipkin was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Herbert Pipkin enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-nine years, Charlene, and was the proud father of Stan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pipkin leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Dr. Herbert Hughes Pipkin, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Dr. Pipkin.

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