

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 295

By Camper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. Theresa Ann James Shotwell upon her receipt of the 2019 Memphis Living Legend Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Dr. Theresa Ann James Shotwell, who recently received the 2019 Memphis Living Legend Award in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the good people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Melrose High School in historic Orange Mound, Dr. Shotwell retired as a professor and department chair at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; she now volunteers as a certified aerobics and fitness instructor, teaching dance and fitness in Memphis and throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Theresa Shotwell is a best-selling author, and her many works include *Middle Child*, a novel set in Memphis, and *Professional Development for Pre-professionals*, a best-selling textbook; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she has received numerous honors; in 2016, she received an award for Best Musical Screenplay, an adaptation of her dramatic novella, *Maggie: Never Bitter*, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Shotwell is an exemplary individual; her commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; 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 and commend Dr. Theresa Ann James Shotwell upon her receipt of the 2019 Memphis Living Legend Award as we extend to her our best wishes for 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.