

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 698

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of William Henry "Bill" Mueller of Maryville.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of William Henry "Bill" Mueller; and

WHEREAS, Bill Mueller 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 September 26, 1927, Bill Mueller proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1945-1947 as a Tank Sergeant assigned to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded member of the Maryville community, Mr. Mueller volunteered with Blount County Habitat for Humanity for twenty-five years; during this time, he worked on more than 100 houses for families in need; and

WHEREAS, Bill Mueller was a man of devout faith and a member of First United Methodist Church of Maryville; he served the church in various capacities, working at the Welcome Table, assisting with Celebrate Recovery, and washing dishes after meals; and

WHEREAS, he participated in various mission trips as a member of the church, including a trip to the Dominican Republic and ten trips to New Orleans, Louisiana, in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina; and

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

WHEREAS, left to cherish his memory are his son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Jessica Mueller; daughters and sons-in-law, Julie and Rodney Nelson and Jayne and Mike Gallegos;

grandchildren, Leslie Mueller, Henry Mueller, Jenica Nelson, Reece Nelson, Tory Nelson, Maddie Gallegos, Frannie Gallegos, Jake Gallegos, and Georgie Gallegos; and many special friends at Blount County Habitat for Humanity and First United Methodist Church of Maryville; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his wife, Donna L. Mueller; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mueller was a community leader known for his integrity and compassionate service, a good man most worthy of emulation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should 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 William Henry "Bill" Mueller, 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 Mr. Mueller.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.