

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1052

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Eugene Blake
McCampbell of Maryville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Eugene Blake McCampbell; and

WHEREAS, Blake McCampbell 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, a longtime resident of Townsend, Blake McCampbell served for six years as a member of the Tennessee Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCampbell served with acumen and alacrity for forty-three years as an employee of BellSouth and AT&T, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong Methodist, Blake McCampbell loved the Methodist Church in Cades Cove and Tuckaleechee United Methodist Church, both of which were built and served by his grandfather, Preacher John E. McCampbell; and

WHEREAS, Blake McCampbell was a fifty-year, 32nd degree Mason as well as a Shriner, and he enjoyed serving as a Road Runner, taking children to Shriners Hospitals for treatments; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCampbell shared his passion for antique cars with his father, and both father and son were charter members of the East Tennessee Region Antique Automobile Club of America; he enjoyed planning car tours and rode motorcycles with his family and friends for sixty years; and

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

WHEREAS, he is lovingly remembered by his daughter, Angie McCampbell Kizer; his son-in-law, Preston Kizer; his son, Randy McCampbell; his granddaughter, Lindsey Kizer; his cousin "brother," Don McCampbell; and a host of extended family and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his wife, Sue McCampbell, and his parents, Emory and Mary McCampbell; and

WHEREAS, Blake McCampbell 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 Eugene Blake McCampbell, 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. McCampbell.

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.