

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Floyd Thomas Nelson of Oliver Springs.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Floyd Thomas Nelson; and

WHEREAS, Floyd Nelson 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, the son of Sam and Clara Nelson, Mr. Nelson honorably served this country as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, he served with acumen and alacrity at Roane Hosiery Mill, where he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work and from which he retired in 1997 after forty-two years of service; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Nelson enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty-three years, Jessie June Raby Nelson; he was the proud father of Danita (Rick) White and grandfather of Justin White and Taylor (Maria) White. He is further survived by his brother, Charles Nelson; his brother-in-law, Gordon (Carol) Raby; his sister-in-law, Bonnie Raby; and a host of nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Harrison Nelson, Everett Nelson, and Jim Nelson; and his sisters, Cloda Rose, Edna Cox, Laura Russell, and Marie Reeder; and

WHEREAS, Floyd Nelson 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Floyd Thomas Nelson, 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. Nelson.

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