

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 48

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend John Hood upon being named the 2018 recipient of the Doug Young Lifetime Achievement Award from the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is John Hood, who was recently named the recipient of the 2018 Doug Young Lifetime Achievement Award from the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Hood will be honored at the Chamber of Commerce's Business at its Best celebration on January 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a Rutherford County native, John Hood received a bachelor's degree from Middle Tennessee State University in 1954 and a Master of Education degree in 1974. He returned to serve the True Blue community for more than ten years as the first director of development and assistant to the president; he is now the director of government and community affairs; and

WHEREAS, John Hood's career spans six decades and includes serving in radio broadcasting, banking, human resources, higher education, and government service at the city, county, and state levels; and

WHEREAS, committed to leading, serving, and making his community a better place to live and work, Mr. Hood honorably served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956 and represented the 48th House District in the Tennessee General Assembly from 1996 to 2008; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his community, John Hood has served on a host of boards, commissions, and community organizations, including the Exchange Club of Murfreesboro, United Way of Rutherford and Cannon Counties, Read to Succeed, and the

Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; he previously served as president of the Tennessee School Boards Association and treasurer of the Rutherford County Emergency Communications District; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Hood received the Murfreesboro City Schools Foundation's Excellence in Education Award in 2012 and the American Red Cross "Hero" Award in 2017; he was named the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce Business Legend of the Year in 2014 and inducted into the Tennessee Journalism Hall of Fame in 2016; and

WHEREAS, his notable accomplishments aside, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shared with his late wife, Marilyn; he is the proud father of Garry W. Hood, Rebecca Hagan, and Mark R. Hood and the doting grandfather of Christin H. Waters, Grady Hood, Cooper Hood, and John Robin Hood; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud John Hood for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering commitment to others, and his astute leadership in Rutherford County; 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 and commend John Hood upon being named the recipient of the 2018 Doug Young Lifetime Achievement Award from the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in all his 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