

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 85

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Katherine I. LaPorte of Elizabethton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Katherine I. LaPorte; and

WHEREAS, Katherine LaPorte was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Matewan, West Virginia, Mrs. LaPorte was the daughter of the late Charlie and Georgia Chafin Isaacs; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, she lent her time and talents to the Elizabethton Women's Civic Club, Friends of the Library, Elizabethton Dance Club, and Elizabethton Book Club; she was also a charter board member of Citco Bank Shares; and

WHEREAS, Katherine LaPorte evinced her devout religious faith as a member of the Elizabethton First United Methodist Church and its Circle 6; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. LaPorte was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Katherine LaPorte was the proud mother of Sam (Marlo) LaPorte, Chris (Quinita) LaPorte, Steve (Liz) LaPorte, and Joe (Hope) LaPorte III; she will be lovingly remembered by her ten grandchildren, her three great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband, Joe LaPorte, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. LaPorte leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 Katherine I. LaPorte, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. LaPorte.

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