

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 382

By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor Larry Hensley, Lewis County's Best Man for 2019.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize a gentleman who has earned the respect and admiration of his family, friends, colleagues, and a grateful public as well; and

WHEREAS, Larry Hensley was recently selected Best Man for 2019 by the readers of the *Lewis County Herald* as part of the newspaper's "Best of Lewis County" awards; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant and former law enforcement professional, Mr. Hensley is deeply committed to his fellow citizens of Lewis County; he even took a bullet while serving as sheriff but survived the aftermath; and

WHEREAS, in his younger days, Mr. Hensley worked several jobs to provide for his family; at various times, he was an employee of Lewis Products, the City of Hohenwald's water and gas department, and a local funeral home and served part time as a city police officer and school bus driver; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, he began full-time employment with the Hohenwald Police Department, and he was elected sheriff of Lewis County in 1990; and

WHEREAS, he returned to the Hohenwald Police Department in 1994 and protected and served the public in that capacity for thirteen years before retiring in 2007 at the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, still devoted to public service, Mr. Hensley is now in his second term as a member of the Lewis County Commission, representing the third district, and is also a board member for Selective Service; and

WHEREAS, Larry Hensley and his wife, Sandra, have enjoyed nearly fifty-three years of wedded bliss, and they are the proud parents of Barry Hensley, Michael Hensley, and Robin Thomas; and

WHEREAS, devout Christians, the Hensleys still attend the church where they first met, The Sanctuary Pentecostal Church; and

WHEREAS, during the golden years of his retirement, Mr. Hensley enjoys camping, golfing, and visiting extensively with his friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Larry Hensley is an outstanding citizen of the Volunteer State and is richly deserving of this body's approbation; 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 congratulate Larry Hensley upon being selected Best Man for 2019 by the readers of the *Lewis County Herald* and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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