

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 705

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to recognize Sharon K. Reed on the occasion of her retirement from State government.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to a most dedicated public servant on the occasion of her retirement after forty years of faithful service to the people of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Sharon K. Reed has held numerous leadership positions in State government and performed with distinction in each of them; and

WHEREAS, she has served under six governors and worked for the Department of Health, Tennessee Health Facilities Commission, Legislative Services, Department of Finance and Administration, Department of Commerce and Insurance, Department of Economic and Community Development, and Department of Safety during her illustrious career; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Reed is now retiring from the Department of Tourist Development after serving as its Human Resource Director for the past fourteen years, bringing to a close a forty-year tenure in State government; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Reed was selected for inclusion in Marquis *Who's Who of American Women* from 1991 to 1994 and *Who's Who in America* from 1994 to 2000; and

WHEREAS, she has received the Governor's Excellence in Service Award, which recognizes State employees who are at the forefront of improving the way Tennessee State government delivers services; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Reed has built relationships and championed Tennessee in all parts of the Volunteer State, from Mountain City to Memphis and from Tiptonville to Turtletown; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Reed exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Sharon Reed has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and a grateful public as well; 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 commend Sharon K. Reed for her honorable and dedicated service to the State of Tennessee and its citizens on the occasion of her retirement from State government and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in her 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.