

SENATE RESOLUTION 118

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robbie JoAnn Sibley Shelton of Lexington.

WHEREAS, we were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Robbie JoAnn Sibley Shelton; and

WHEREAS, the first-born child of Doris and Clell Sibley, JoAnn Shelton 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, Mrs. Shelton served with acumen and alacrity for a number of years in the offices of Brown Shoe Company, where she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, she was also a skilled homemaker, an expert seamstress, and an excellent cook who effortlessly achieved perfection in all of her endeavors; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, she was a Jaycette and served as an officer for the Lexington Henderson County Democratic Party; she spent countless hours volunteering her time with her children's school and church activities, as well as their Girl Scout troops; and

WHEREAS, JoAnn Shelton was an active and devout member of First United Methodist Church, which she served faithfully for many years as a member of United Methodist Women; and

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

WHEREAS, she is survived by her daughters, Kathy (Rick) Mealer and Donna (Glenn) McCoy; her grandchildren, Jonathan (Jennifer) Mealer and Elliot McCoy; her great-grandchildren, Makayla Mealer and Hutton Mealer; her brothers, Jack (Stephanie) Sibley, Ted

(Margie) Sibley, and Tom (Marlene) Sibley; her sisters-in-law, Livy Sibley and Becky Sibley; and a host of extended family and close friends; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Shelton was preceded in death by her parents; her loving husband, Frank Shelton; her brothers, Wallace Sibley and Jerry Sibley; and her sister, Bobbie Tyler; and

WHEREAS, JoAnn Shelton 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 we 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, that we honor the memory of Robbie JoAnn Sibley Shelton, 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. Shelton.

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