

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Christine and Edward Howard on their nomination for the Gold Pyramid Award.

WHEREAS, every two years, Delta Sigma Theta sorority nominates three black families for the Gold Pyramid Award, a Black Family Achievement Award recognizing at least fifty years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Edward and Christine Howard have been nominated for the 1995 Gold Pyramid Award; and

WHEREAS, in February, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Howard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, an event that was truly “golden” in more respects than one; and

WHEREAS, the Howard’s fifty years of marriage has been an inspiration to family and friends alike because of its blissful nature and its exhibition of the excellent characters of these two remarkable people; and

WHEREAS, both Mr. and Mrs. Howard have retired from their vocational pursuits after many years of outstanding service to their respective employers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Howard is a retired employee of Martin Marietta as an information specialist and Mrs. Howard was a director’s assistant of the Knox County Development Corporation where she worked for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, the couple’s beautiful union has produced three fine children, all of whom are making their distinctive mark on their chosen professions; and

WHEREAS, the Howard’s children are Edward Howard, Jr., a retired Army Major and presently a business consultant; George Howard, a business executive in the trucking industry; and Wanda Howard Moran, a security inspector for Martin Marietta; and

WHEREAS, both devout Christians, Mr. and Mrs. Howard evince their robust belief in the Lord through their participation and membership in Bethel A.M.E. Church of Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly deems it appropriate to pause and pay tribute to this outstanding family for this lifelong achievement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby congratulate Edward and Christine Howard on being nominated for the Black Family Achievement Gold Pyramid Award and wish them well this Saturday, April 22, 1995, as the winner of this prestigious award is selected.

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