

A RESOLUTION to honor Marguerite W. Sallee for her
achievements in business and the community.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should honor those Tennesseans who through their own diligence and dedication have made significant achievements in their chosen fields; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite W. Sallee is one such person who has been a leader in the business, political, and civic life of Nashville, Middle Tennessee, and our state; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sallee has given unreservedly of herself to ensure the betterment of others through her professional roles in the areas of health and human services, concentrating heavily on important family and children's issues; and

WHEREAS, she has been instrumental in the development and implementation of services to ensure the welfare of Tennessee' children, holding distinguished positions with the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment and the Tennessee Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure with such departments, Ms. Sallee held the position of state coordinator for Governor Lamar Alexander's Healthy Children Initiative, a four year effort to promote the health and well-being of Tennessee's youth, and was later appointed commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Human Services, where she oversaw hundreds of programs and services directly affecting Tennessee's children and adults; and

WHEREAS, drawing upon on her knowledge and expertise concerning children and families, Ms. Sallee founded Corporate Child Care Management Services in 1987, a company responding to the growing need for more and better child care by working with companies in the development and management of employer-sponsored child care centers; and

WHEREAS, Corporate Child Care has become an industry leader with Ms. Sallee's guidance and was recognized in 1992 and 1993 as one of the 500 fastest growing companies in the United States by Inc. magazine; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sallee has had numerous high honors bestowed upon her in recognition of her professional and civic excellence, including the 1993 Iris Award for excellence in marketing, the Southern Health Association's Ross Award for outstanding achievements in maternal and child health, the Tennessee Association for Young Children Special Service Award, and Tennessee's Public Health Worker of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, despite the pressing demands of her work, Ms. Sallee has unselfishly devoted herself to seats on numerous boards, including service as director of NationsBank for Tennessee and Kentucky, Nashville director of the Federal Reserve Bank, trustee of The Harpeth Hall School, member of the Child Care Action Campaign Advisory Council, and member of the Committee of 200, an international organization supporting businesswomen who personify the spirit of entrepreneurship and business leadership; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these distinguished awards and appointments, Ms. Sallee has achieved yet another milestone in her bright and sparkling career by becoming the first woman to serve as chair of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sallee exemplifies, through her actions and attitudes, the qualities of a leader in her personal and professional life, placing the welfare of all others first; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville community and the state of Tennessee have benefited greatly from Ms. Sallee's dedication and devotion, and she is therefore, richly deserving of the respect and commendation of this General Assembly; and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor Ms. Marguerite W. Sallee for her many achievements as a professional and a community leader, and especially for her most recent appointment as the chairperson of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Ms. Sallee and that this clause be deleted from such copy.

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