

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 15

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Stone Carr upon a lifetime of public service.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated their careers and personal excellence to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stone Carr of Blount County is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the owner of his own construction company, Mr. Carr has personally redefined the term “public servant” to include a higher level of benevolence as a generous giver, community leader, impeccable role model, and dedicated mentor; and

WHEREAS, during the course of his illustrious career, Mr. Stone served with distinction on the Blount County Museum board of directors, Blount County long range planning committee, H.O.M.E. (Hall Oldfield Maryville Empowerment Board Inc.), Blount County Public Building Authority, and the Chamber of Commerce’s executive committee, and as vice chair of the Community Development Council; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Blount County Community Action Agency’s board for seven years, Mr. Carr served on the nominating, strategic planning, and executive director search committees; and

WHEREAS, he has been a strong supporter of the Boys and Girls Club and has worked diligently to restore and maintain Maple Grove Cemetery in Maryville; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman of devout Christian faith, Stone Carr served God and humanity as the pastor of Shiloh Presbyterian Church, Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, and Rest Haven Presbyterian Church and is a member of the Blount County Ecumenical Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carr has twice received the Pride of Tennessee Award, in 1995 and 2007, from the Blount County mayor for best exemplifying a "Tennessee Volunteer" through his community involvement and his ongoing efforts to make Blount County an even better place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Gloria D. Carr; his three children, Pamela Carr Tate, Stanley N. Carr, and Gina T. Carr; and his three siblings; and

WHEREAS, Stone Carr is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize Stone Carr as an extraordinary citizen of Blount County and a true "Tennessee Volunteer," commend his lifetime of community involvement and public service, and extend to Mr. Carr our best wishes for much continued success and happiness in his 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.