HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 98

By Shepard

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Tennessee Pharmacists Association upon their 125th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the organization now known as the Tennessee Pharmacists Association (TPA) was founded in 1884 by pharmacists from throughout Tennessee, to unite the profession of pharmacy with one voice, to guard against "unjust taxation" and to "enact pharmacy law" in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the pharmacists of Tennessee and the patients they serve have benefited greatly from the TPA's efforts over the course of the past 125 years; and

WHEREAS, the Association has worked with unflagging resolve to unite the profession of pharmacy throughout the dynamic evolution to the diverse professional practices and services of today and has successfully included all practices of pharmacy in the organization; and

WHEREAS, the TPA is recognized as a leader in improving pharmacy practice and as an advocate for the pharmacy profession both in the state and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the staff, leadership, and membership of the Association have continuously and diligently worked to ensure that the profession of pharmacy provides high quality, safe pharmaceutical care and optimal health outcomes to the citizens it serves; and

WHEREAS, the staff, leadership, and membership of the Association have worked for more than a century with elected state and national legislators to guarantee that citizens served by the profession can receive these services; and

WHEREAS, the Association collaborates with other health care focused groups and organizations, state and national governmental agencies, and the public to improve the healthcare of Tennessee citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Association provides extraordinary support and opportunities for future leaders of the profession who will continue the commitment of yesterday and prepare for the challenges of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the TPA is today a professional membership association whose members consist of pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, student pharmacists, and associate members who reside, work, and study in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, TPA members practice in many settings, including academia, community pharmacies, hospitals and health systems, government, long-term care, managed care, the pharmaceutical industry, and research; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Tennessee have been well served by the dedicated members of this vital association; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join in celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association, thank the members of this Association and their leaders for their contributions to patient safety and public health, applaud them for their notable service to the citizens of the State of Tennessee, and wish them continued success in the future.

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

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