

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1096

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Representative Curtis Johnson for his distinguished service as a member of the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those fellow legislators who have performed their duties with integrity and whose efforts during their time in office have been dedicated to providing thoughtful service to their districts and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Curtis Johnson of Clarksville is one such distinguished public servant, who has served both his constituency and this legislative body with honor and ability; and

WHEREAS, first elected to the General Assembly in 2004, Representative Johnson is an influential figure in the political, social, and civic life of Clarksville and Montgomery County, and he has served his constituents in numerous capacities during his twenty-year tenure on Capitol Hill; and

WHEREAS, he has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen and an exceptional asset to the good people of the 68th House District, whom he has served as a member of the 104th through 113th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, a strong voice for Clarksville and Montgomery County, Curtis Johnson has established himself as a leader by serving as Deputy Speaker of the House for the 111th, 112th, and 113th General Assemblies and, prior to that, as Speaker Pro Tempore of the House for the 108th, 109th, and 110th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, Representative Johnson has rendered sterling service as chair of the House Select Committee on Ethics and a member of the Commerce Committee, Insurance Committee,

Select Committee on Rules, State Government Committee, Business and Utilities Subcommittee, and Public Service Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, in his legislative work, he has demonstrated a willingness to listen, learn, and take action on issues affecting his district and state; and

WHEREAS, Curtis Johnson has been honored with numerous accolades for his prodigious legislative service, including being named Clarksville Jaycees Boss of the Year, 2014 National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies Legislator of the Year, and 2014 Legislator of the Year by the Greater Nashville Regional Council; and

WHEREAS, he received the 2011, 2014, and 2015 Department of Army Commanders Award for Public Service, the 2014 Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Industry "Tennessee Champion of Commerce" Award, the NFIB "Guardian of Small Business" Award, and from his alma mater, the Austin Peay State University "Govs Who Lead" Award; and

WHEREAS, prior to his tenure on Capitol Hill, he served with distinction on the Clarksville City Council from 1994-2002 and was Mayor Pro Tem in 1996-1997; and

WHEREAS, a man of principle and integrity, Curtis Johnson has proven that citizens can make a difference by being involved in their community, which principle he has demonstrated through his service as president of the Association of the U.S. Army, Tennessee/Kentucky Chapter, Austin Peay Alumni Association, Clarksville Shrine Club, and Austin Peay Governor's Club; and

WHEREAS, an alumnus of Leadership Clarksville, Representative Johnson is a graduate of Austin Peay State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and has attended the Tennessee School of Banking; and

WHEREAS, his many personal and professional accomplishments aside, Curtis Johnson is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Marsha, and their three sons and six grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Representative Johnson is committed to the precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be recognized upon his tenure in the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Representative Curtis Johnson for his meritorious service to Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the constituents of the 68th House District and the citizens of Clarksville and Montgomery County, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.