

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1132

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of William "Bill" Franklin Milburn of Kingston.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of William "Bill" Franklin Milburn; and

WHEREAS, Bill Milburn was a highly respected member of his community and a consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Milburn served with acumen and alacrity as the owner and operator of Southeast Contractors, Inc., in which position he earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues and customers alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, after forty successful years at the helm of Southeast Contractors, Inc., Bill Milburn handed the reins of leadership of the company over to his son, Will Milburn; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Milburn honorably served his country as a member of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War as a team leader for a long-range reconnaissance patrol team; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Bill Milburn served as a deacon of the Presbyterian Church of Nashville for twenty years and as an elder for four years before moving back to his roots in Roane County; and

WHEREAS, Bill Milburn had a love for all animals but had a special relationship to horses; he loved to ride, and he rode horse trails all over the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Milburn was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Deni Milburn; son, Will (Heather) Milburn; daughter, Amy (Ken) Nelson; brother, Randy (Kim) Milburn; sister, Mary Stewart; and grandchildren, Lilly, William, and Madison; and

WHEREAS, he is also survived by a stepson, Kaine (Fernanda) Austin; a stepdaughter, Ashley Parsons; and their children, Kennon, Emery, Collins, Elle, Nola, and Sophia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Milburn was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Margie Milburn, and his sister, Cynthia; and

WHEREAS, Bill Milburn leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; 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 the memory of William "Bill" Franklin Milburn, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Milburn.

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.