

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 161

By Oliver

A RESOLUTION to honor Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que on more than sixty years of service to North Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize an outstanding restaurant that earned loyal customers and received critical accolades for its mouth-watering food; and

WHEREAS, for more than six decades, Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que served the North Nashville community with some of the most delicious down-home food available in Music City; and

WHEREAS, after opening in 1962, Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que quickly became a neighborhood fixture by offering a taste of traditional barbeque that attracted numerous repeat customers over the years; and

WHEREAS, after surviving tornadoes and a global pandemic, Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que closed its doors for the final time on February 1, 2025; however, its legacy will continue to inspire the merchants located on the historic Jefferson Street corridor and their clientele, the good people of North Nashville; and

WHEREAS, owner Katresa Fizer, granddaughter of the business's founder, Mary, is stepping away from the business to enjoy life during retirement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Fizer fondly remembers her grandmother Mary as a savvy businesswoman who was also a generous benefactor of the community; and

WHEREAS, for sixty-three years, Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que was an icon in Nashville, and the spirit of giving and sense of community commenced by its founder and embraced by Ms. Fizer are deserving of our recognition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor Mary's Old Fashioned Pit Bar-B-Que on more than sixty years of service to North Nashville, thank its owners and employees for providing delicious food to people from all walks of life, and wish Katresa Fizer all the best in her 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.