

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 282

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Beulah M. "Sue" Cole of Rockwood.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Beulah M. "Sue" Cole of Rockwood; and

WHEREAS, Sue Cole was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on August 28, 1920, in Fairview to Robert H. Howell, Sr., and Lydia Lampley Howell, she married her husband, Glenn Cole, in 1935, and began a family of her own; and

WHEREAS, a strong woman of tested virtues, she raised seven children, ran the Poplar Street Grocers, and operated the Cole Trailer Park for over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cole was an independent soul, and it was not until her health prohibitively declined that she stopped the maintenance of her business by herself alone; and

WHEREAS, she not only concerned herself with this life but also the next, and she was a longtime devout member of First Baptist Church in Rockwood; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cole was an artist of great talent, known for her prodigious painting, creative crafts, and quality quilts; and

WHEREAS, she participated in various painting groups and attended classes and conferences to improve her craft, not resting upon her laurels; and

WHEREAS, a woman of refined leisure, she enjoyed square dancing, solving crossword puzzles, and tending to her garden; and

WHEREAS, her house was a locus of loving kindness for her family and friends, and many gatherings of great memory were held under her roof; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cole will be sadly mourned but fondly remembered by her children Joe (Lora) Cole, Margaret Losey, Anita (Joe) Moore, and Jeff Cole; her sixteen grandchildren; twenty-nine great-grandchildren; twenty-eight great-great-grandchildren, and a host of extended family and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn Cole; her sons Ross, Denny, and Kenny Cole; her brothers, Robert, Jr., Buford, and James Howell; and her son-in-law, Frank Losey; and

WHEREAS, Sue Cole leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Beulah M. "Sue" Cole, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. Cole.

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.