SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 834

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ken Croom upon receiving the Chamber of Commerce Businessman of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to recognize those enterprising businessmen who have made substantial contributions to the economic landscape of the State of Tennessee and have provided valuable service to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Chief Executive Officer of the Rhea Medical Center, Ken Croom, is one such noteworthy citizen who evinces the greatest probity and integrity in each of his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Croom was recently honored with the Businessman of the Year Award from the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, this illustrious honor was presented by Matt Benson, the Bryan College Vice President of Spiritual Formation; and

WHEREAS, Ken Croom's remarkable success as an executive and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Croom is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, the greater Rhea County community and the State of Tennessee are undoubtedly better places to live because of the life and service of Mr. Croom; and

WHEREAS, the success of Tennessee is inextricably tied to the vitality of its business community, and both depend in great measure on the dedication of people like Ken Croom, who

use their considerable resources and talents to further the interests of commerce in the State; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Croom for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering commitment to others, and his astute leadership in Rhea County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Ken Croom upon receiving the Chamber of Commerce Businessman of the Year Award, thank him for his many contributions to this State, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success in all his 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.