

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 986

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to commend Lay Family Furniture upon its recognition as a Centennial Tennessee Company.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those historic Tennessee businesses that have a long-standing commitment to providing exceptional service to their customers; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable business is Lay Family Furniture of Oneida, which was recently recognized as a Centennial Tennessee Company by the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development; and

WHEREAS, the Centennial Tennessee Company designation recognizes companies that have been in operation for 100 years or more in the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, Lay Family Furniture was founded in 1920 by then twenty-three-year-old Arlie M. Lay, and the success of the business played a significant role in the early growth of Oneida; and

WHEREAS, now celebrating its 104th year in business, Lay Family Furniture is possibly the oldest continuously operated retail establishment in Scott County, and it continues to be run by the Lay family; and

WHEREAS, for more than a century, Lay Family Furniture has been an integral part of the Oneida community, and it is most appropriate that this historic business be recognized; 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 congratulate Lay Family Furniture upon its

recognition as a Centennial Tennessee Company, wishing the iconic Tennessee business much continued success in the future.

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.