



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 64

By Representatives Favors, McCormick, Gravitt, Carter, Hazlewood, Smith, Alexander, Beck, Harry Brooks, Kevin Brooks, Byrd, Carr, Casada, Clemmons, Coley, Cooper, Crawford, Curcio, Daniel, DeBerry, Doss, Dunn, Eldridge, Farmer, Fitzhugh, Forgety, Gant, Gilmore, Goins, Halford, Hardaway, Hawk, Hicks, Matthew Hill, Timothy Hill, Holsclaw, Howell, Hulsey, Jernigan, Johnson, Jones, Kane, Kumar, Lamberth, Littleton, Lollar, Love, Lynn, Marsh, Matlock, McDaniel, Miller, Mitchell, Moody, Parkinson, Pitts, Powell, Powers, Ramsey, Reedy, Rogers, Rudd, Sanderson, Sargent, Cameron Sexton, Jerry Sexton, Shaw, Sherrell, Sparks, Staples, Stewart, Swann, Terry, Thompson, Tillis, Towns, Travis, Turner, Van Huss, Weaver, Dawn White, Mark White, Whitson, Williams, Windle, Wirgau, Zachary, and Madam Speaker Harwell

and

Senators Gardenhire, Watson, Harper, Beavers, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Green, Gresham, Haile, Harris, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Ketron, Kyle, Lundberg, Niceley, Norris, Overbey, Roberts, Southerland, Stevens, Tate, Tracy, Yager, Yarbrow, and Mr. Speaker McNally

A RESOLUTION to express our sympathy and condolences to the families of the six children who lost their lives in the recent school bus accident in Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2016, a great tragedy befell the Chattanooga community when a loaded school bus crashed and overturned, resulting in six elementary school student fatalities; and

WHEREAS, every life is precious, but the loss of innocence and potential that a child's death signifies is especially heartbreaking, and thus the sense of melancholy in the community is unrelieved; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of D'Myunn Brown, Zyanna Harris, Cor'Dayja Jones, Zyaira Mateen, Zoie Nash, and Keonte Wilson, whose lives burned brightly, but all too briefly; and

WHEREAS, these six young students attended Woodmore Elementary School, a part of the Hamilton County school system; and

WHEREAS, the tragic deaths of these children are almost too much to be borne, but we know that with their faith in God and each other, the good people of Chattanooga will persevere; and

WHEREAS, we owe the families of these children our sympathy and compassion, but more importantly, our commitment to improving school bus safety; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the families of D'Myunn Brown, Zyanna Harris, Cor'Dayja Jones, Zyaira Mateen, Zoie Nash, and Keonte Wilson, as we honor the memory of these beloved children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: February 9, 2017


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of February 2017


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR