

State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 324

By Gresham, Tracy

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend John D. Lay, M.D., for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is John D. Lay, M.D., who has served with compassion and skill as a local family practice physician in Savannah, Tennessee, since 1964, and has recently been honored by the American Medical Association (AMA) on the fiftieth anniversary of his graduation from medical school; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Tennessee Medical School in Memphis, Dr. Lay has been a member of the American Medical Association for fifty years and is a member of the AMA's Senior Physicians Group, which includes 57,000 physicians who are sixty-five years old and beyond; and

WHEREAS, a 1946 graduate of Central High School, where he played on the storied 1945 basketball team that placed fourth in the state, John Lay is a Veteran of the Korean War and was educated on the G.I. Bill; and

WHEREAS, he is a highly respected and greatly admired community leader, and Dr. Lay's dedication to the citizens of Savannah and Hardin County continues a family legacy established by his parents, Mary and Charlie Lay, as his mother ably served as register of deeds for four terms and his father provided sterling service as county sheriff for four terms; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his medical practice, Dr. Lay still finds time to enjoy various hobbies, which include duck hunting, but especially training, riding, and showing Tennessee Walking Horses, in addition to breeding and raising the beautiful equines; and

WHEREAS, John D. Lay epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lay is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Jane Maxwell Lay; and their four sons, John, David, Phillip, and Charlie; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Dr. John D. Lay for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; 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 Dr. John D. Lay on the occasion of his fiftieth anniversary as a physician, commend his dedication to quality health care, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

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

ADOPTED:	May 12, 2011	
		Ron RAMSEY
		SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
		BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this ______ day of ______ May_____ 2011

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR