



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 611

By Representative Pody

and

Senator Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robert Harrison of Wilson County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Robert "Bob" Harrison; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Bob Harrison served with acumen and alacrity as an officer of the Wilson County Sheriff's Department, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Lebanon High School and Middle Tennessee State University, Mr. Harrison's law enforcement career spanned thirty-five years and included various positions; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his tenure with the Wilson County Sheriff's Department, Bob Harrison worked as a detective with the Lebanon Police Department, a toxicologist with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, and a forensic chemist with the Broward County Sheriff's Office in Florida; and

WHEREAS, he also held positions with the Bradshaw Hospital Pharmacy, McFarland Hospital, and the Tennessee Department of Public Health; and

WHEREAS, a celebrated defender of the public, Mr. Harrison was awarded a "Three Stars of Tennessee" First Responders Award from the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security for recognition of his outstanding service to the state during his long tenure in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, a beloved member of his community, his passing was mourned even by citizens he arrested, a testament to his kind and compassionate spirit; and

WHEREAS, Bob Harrison was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Teresa Mahan Harrison, and was the proud parent of Logan Harrison; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife and son, he is also survived by his grandson, Haden Harrison; his brother, David M. Harrison; his nephew, Davis Harrison; his niece, Wendy Street; and four great-nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Bob Harrison is preceded in death by his parents, David M. and Mary Casey Harrison, as well as his brother, Kenneth D. Harrison; and

WHEREAS, Bob Harrison leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his 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,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Robert Harrison, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his 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 Mr. Harrison.

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: March 14, 2016


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17th day of March 2016


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR