



State of Tennessee

FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15

By Senators Kyle, Yarbro

and

Representative Clemmons

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John A. "Jack" Spann III of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of John A. "Jack" Spann III; and

WHEREAS, Jack Spann 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, a native of Nashville, Mr. Spann graduated from Peabody Demonstration School in 1969 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Lambuth College, now the University of Memphis at Lambuth; he went on to earn his Doctorate of Jurisprudence at Nashville School of Law in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Jack Spann joined his family's insurance agency, Spann Insurance, in 1972; he continued to work there after obtaining his law degree and after the agency became a division of Brown & Brown of Tennessee in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spann's extensive knowledge of and experience in the areas of commercial insurance and surety bonds earned him great respect, and he frequently served as an expert witness in trials dealing with these areas, both in Tennessee and nationally; and

WHEREAS, a legal professional of the highest caliber and ability, he was a member of the American Bar Association, the Tennessee Bar Association, and the Nashville Bar Association, which named him a Nashville Bar Foundation Fellow in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Jack Spann was a longtime member of Insurors of Tennessee, serving as president of the Insurors of Nashville local board in 1992 and president of the state association in 2001; he also served on multiple committees and taskforces; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spann was instrumental in the purchase and development of the Insurors Building located on 21st Avenue South in Nashville, as well as the founding and development of INSBANK; he was also integral in the development of the Titans Radio advertising program; and

WHEREAS, he also served his community and fellow citizens as treasurer of the Tennessee Keeping Your Legislature Efficient Political Action Committee from 2005-2014 and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Lambuth University from 2002-2011; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Jack Spann was named the Insuror of the Year in 1988 by Insurors of Tennessee and received Presidential Citations from the organization in 2002 and 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spann was an official member of the Loyal Royal Secret Order of the Hooligans; and

WHEREAS, Jack Spann also greatly enjoyed traveling to many countries and places throughout the world with his dear travel companion—his wife, Louise; and

WHEREAS, a man of devout faith, Mr. Spann was an active member of Arlington United Methodist Church; and

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

WHEREAS, Jack Spann is survived by his devoted wife, Louise Privette Spann; his son, John A. (Kristy) Spann IV; his grandchildren, John A. Spann V and Audrey Spann; his mother, Gwen K. Spann; and his brother, Lee (Cindy Foster) Spann; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his father, John A. Spann, Jr., and his grandparents, John A. Spann, Sr., and Lena Locke Spann and Clarence Koehn, Sr., and Dorothy Heck Koehn; and

WHEREAS, Jack Spann 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,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of John A. "Jack" Spann III, 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. Spann.

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: August 23, 2019



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 5th day of September 2019



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR