



# State of Tennessee

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 740

**By Representative Keisling**

**and**

**Senators Pody, Yager**

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Johnny Wayne Hesson of Macon County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Johnny Wayne Hesson; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Hesson 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, born on July 20, 1961, in Lafayette, Johnny Wayne Hesson was the son of Johnny Lee Hesson and Helen Fuqua Hesson; he was an Eagle Scout and a 1979 graduate of Macon County High School; and

WHEREAS, during his years of industry, Mr. Hesson was an employee of North Central Telephone Cooperative, from which he retired on July 1, 2016, after thirty-six years of exemplary service to the company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hesson was an active and devout member of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, where he was ordained as a deacon on April 13, 2019; and

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

WHEREAS, Wayne Hesson enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Anita Chitwood Hesson, and was the proud father of Nikki Owen (Chris); and

WHEREAS, he will be sadly mourned but fondly remembered by his mother, Helen Fuqua Hesson; his brother, Mikey Hesson; his sister, Jane Wooten (Kevin); his brother-in-law, Ricky Leath; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, extended family members, and dear friends; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his father, Johnny Lee Hesson; his sister, Pam Hesson Leath; his mother-in-law, Viola Chitwood; his father-in-law, Jim Chitwood; his brother-in-law, Jimmy Chitwood; and his sister-in-law, Linda Belton, and her husband, Dewitt; and

WHEREAS, Johnny Wayne Hesson 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Johnny Wayne Hesson, 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. Hesson.

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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.

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ADOPTED: February 3, 2020



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR