

State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 956

By Representatives Doggett, Capley

and

Senators Walley, Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Brian Leslie Gallett of Lawrenceburg.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Brian Leslie Gallett; and

WHEREAS, Brian Gallett 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 in Lauderdale County, Alabama, on August 25, 1977, Mr. Gallett was the son of Wanda Beckman Porter and John Porter; he attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and graduated from Loretto High School in 1996, earning the nickname "Bigg Fred" as a teenager; and

WHEREAS, his love of music was a defining piece of his life in high school, and he was a member of both the Loretto High School Marching Band, where he played the drums, and the All-American High School Band, with which he traveled to Europe in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gallett was the owner and operator of Sunset Grooming, a barbershop he named in honor of his grandfather's business, Sunset Trailer Park in Saint Joseph; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gallett loved University of Alabama football and heavy metal music; he was a charismatic and compassionate man who could connect with any person and enrapture any audience with his stories; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gallett was an exceedingly faithful and devoted man and a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church as well as the Harmony Nazarene; 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, Mr. Gallett enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of almost twenty-four years, Shannon Bailey Gallett, and was the proud father of his son, Sam; and

WHEREAS, he is lovingly remembered by his father- and mother-in-law, Dennis and Laura Bailey; brothers-in-law, Daniel (Pam) Bailey and Harlan Bailey; sister-in-law, Allison (Prentice) Emler; goddaughter, Edee Johnson; two stepbrothers, Joe Porter and Jim Porter; half-sister, Lindsey Gallett; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and close friends; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, Brian Gallett was preceded in death by his grandparents, Major and Pete Beckman, and

WHEREAS, Brian Gallett 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, Brian Gallett lived a full, rich life, and he is remembered as "truly a free spirit in life [who] lived life like there was no tomorrow"; 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 THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Brian Leslie Gallett, 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. Gallett.

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 29, 2024
CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this day of March 2024
BILL LEE, GOVERNOR