



## State of Tennessee

### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 498

By Representatives Phillip Johnson, Armstrong, Bass, Harry Brooks, Kevin Brooks, Campbell, Camper, Carr, Cobb, Coley, Cooper, Curtiss, Dean, John DeBerry, Lois DeBerry, Dennis, Elam, Eldridge, Evans, Faison, Favors, Fitzhugh, Floyd, Ford, Forgety, Gilmore, Gotto, Halford, Hall, Hardaway, Harmon, Harrison, Hawk, Haynes, Curtis Johnson, Jones, Keisling, Kernell, Lollar, Lundberg, Maggart, Marsh, Matheny, Matlock, McCormick, McDaniel, McDonald, McManus, Don Miller, Larry Miller, Montgomery, Moore, Naifeh, Niceley, Odom, Parkinson, Pitts, Powers, Pruitt, Ramsey, Rich, Richardson, Roach, Sanderson, Sargent, Sexton, Shaw, Shepard, Shipley, Sontany, Sparks, Stewart, Swann, Tidwell, Todd, Towns, Johnnie Turner, Mike Turner, Watson, Weaver, White, Kent Williams, Ryan Williams, Windle, Wirgau, Womick and Madam Speaker Harwell

and

Senator Barnes and Mr. Spaeker Ramsey and Senators Beavers, Bell, Berke, Burks, Campfield, Crowe, Faulk, Finney, Gresham, Harper, Henry, Herron, Johnson, Kelsey, Ketrone, Kyle, Marrero, McNally, Norris, Overbey, Roberts, Southerland, Stewart, Summerville, Tate, Tracy, Watson, Woodson, Yager

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ray Crouch, Sr., on the occasion of his Retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Ray Crouch, Sr., is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for nineteen years with the University of Tennessee Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS), and a total of thirty-eight years with the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a native of Kingston Springs, Mr. Crouch took a much deserved retirement on May 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Ray Crouch graduated from Austin Peay State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch embarked upon his illustrious career with the State in 1973 as a systems analyst for the Tennessee Department of Transportation, where he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch estimably served in the State Fire Marshal's office from 1978 to 1986, and he was the Assistant Commissioner of Administration for the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance from 1986 to 1992; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to the growth and management of his beloved city, Ray Crouch served the community of Kingston Springs enthusiastically as mayor and fire chief; and

WHEREAS, a committed and conscientious civic leader, Mr. Crouch has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through his work with numerous worthy organizations, including the Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association and the Mid-State Mutual Aid Association and serving on the advisory board of the Tennessee State Fire School; and

WHEREAS, following in the footsteps of his father, Marvin W. Crouch, Ray Crouch, Sr., joined the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 594, in 1960, where his father was scoutmaster for the troop; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Ray Crouch's son, W. Ray Crouch, Jr., obtained the rank of Eagle Scout, and Ray Crouch, Sr., achieved the rank of "Life" scout during his scouting career; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch has served the Boy Scouts of America in numerous capacities, including his positions as den chief, assistant scoutmaster and scoutmaster for Troop 594; assistant council commissioner for the Boy Scouts' Middle Tennessee Council; and district commissioner for the Highland Rim District consisting of Cheatham, Dickson, Hickman, and Humphries counties; and

WHEREAS, a devout and active member of his church, Mr. Crouch has faithfully served as a Sunday school teacher for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

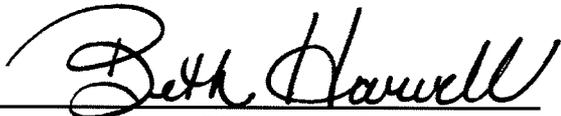
WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Crouch has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Ray Crouch, Sr., our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

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: MAY 21, 2011

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR