



State of Tennessee

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 38

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Reola Virginia Finnie Kee of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Reola Virginia Finnie Kee; and

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

WHEREAS, Reola Kee was born in Somerville on September 23, 1919, to Amanda Ivy Finnie and Richard Virginia Finnie; and

WHEREAS, she was joined in marriage with Euzel W. Kee, Sr., on August 24, 1940; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kee served with acumen and alacrity for more than thirty years as an educator in the Fayette County School District until her retirement; and

WHEREAS, she graciously donated her time and energies to numerous organizations, including serving as a member of the Retired Teacher Association, the AARP, Morning Beauty #140, OES, and Aluzza Court #63; and

WHEREAS, Reola Kee was an active and devout member of Mt. Olive M.B. Church, which she served as a choir member and member of the Mother Board; and

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kee was preceded in death by her husband and her parents; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her children, Eurette Crowe, Euzel (Linda) Kee, Jr., Kenneth (Carolyn) Kee, Richard (Kathy) Kee, and Harry (Julie) Kee; one sister, Amanda Coleman; a brother-in-law, Calvin (Jeanette) Kee; a first cousin, Joseph (Margaret) Ivy; and her adopted children, Amanda (Chat) Jefferson, Nancy Washington, Calvin Washington, Charles Washington, Jr., Nettie Estes, Martha Rhodes, Harry (Pat) Coleman, and Henry Lynn (LC) Gordon; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kee is also survived by her grandchildren, John (Rachell) Crowe, Rochell (Bobby) Holts, Anthony Kee, Kennita Kee, Euzel W. Kee III, Candice Stewart, Ivory (LaKeisha) Stewart, Emmanuel Kee, Richard A. Kee II, Christopher Kee, Adam Kee, Cora (Cedric) Reynolds, Pat (Todd) Davis, Sandra Kee, Allen Kee, Harry (Paula) Kee, Ricky Kee, Steve Kee; and a host of great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Reola Kee leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that 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 SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Reola Virginia Finnie Kee, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her 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 Mrs. Kee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

ADOPTED: May 11, 2011



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE