

TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

A RESOLUTION to honor Rutherford County Mayor Ernest Burgess of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, for meritorious service on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor members upon completion of their terms who have performed their duties with the utmost integrity and whose efforts have ensured proper attention to innumerable issues in fulfillment of the Commission's mission to serve as a forum for the discussion and resolution of intergovernmental problems, to provide high quality research support to state and local government officials in order to improve the overall quality of government in Tennessee, and to improve the effectiveness of the intergovernmental system to better serve the citizens of Tennessee;

WHEREAS, Mayor Ernest Burgess, a lifelong resident of Rutherford County Tennessee, earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Middle Tennessee State University and a Master's degree from the University of Tennessee;

WHEREAS Mayor Burgess enjoyed a successful career with National Healthcare Corporation, retiring as Senior Vice-President of Operations, works as a cattle farmer and a small business owner, and with his wife of 58 years Peggy, raised three wonderful children and is the proud grandfather of seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild;

WHEREAS, Mayor Burgess, has served his community as county mayor since 2006 and has also served his community through service on many boards including as chairman of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners, the Rutherford County Correctional Work Center Board, and Community Care of Rutherford County, Incorporated; as past chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Organization; as board member of the National Healthcare Corporation, Mid-Cumberland Human Resources Agency, Mid-Cumberland Community Action Agency, Regional Transportation Authority, Greater Nashville Regional Council, and United Way; and previously served on several community boards including Linebaugh Library, Discovery Center, Main Street of Murfreesboro, Hospice of Murfreesboro, Middle Tennessee State University Foundation, and Middle Tennessee Medical Center Foundation.

WHEREAS, in addition to these leadership roles, Mayor Burgess served with distinction on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations from October 2010 through August 2018 helping provide leadership and direction to the Commission's staff; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS that we hereby honor and commend Mayor Burgess for his valuable contributions to the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations for eight years and for his honorable and dedicated service to the good people of Rutherford County and this great state.

Senator Mark Norris, Chairman