

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 163

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Carl E. Clear of LaFollette.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Carl E. Clear; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clear 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, Mr. Clear served with acumen and alacrity as a coal miner and the owner of Carl Clear Coal Corporation, in which position he earned the respect of his peers for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Carl Clear served his community and his country as a soldier during World War II, and he later served as a member of the Speedwell Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his local community, Mr. Clear participated in numerous clubs and organizations, including the Jellico Masonic Lodge #527 F&AM, Knoxville Scottish Rite Bodies, the Campbell County Scottish Rite club, the Shriners, and Knoxville Kerbela Temple; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clear was an active and devout member of Elm Grove Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Clear enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Hazel Clear, and he was the proud father of two children, Susan (David) Dunaway and Robert (Becky) Clear; he was also the proud grandfather of Chad (Heather) Clear, Summer (Bobby) Zechinni, Justin (Lissa)

Clear, Jessica (Michael) Cain, Wesley (Miranda) Stanfill, and Daniel (Rebekah) Stanfill, and the great-grandfather of fourteen; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clear is also survived by his sisters, Loretta Klepinger and Geneva Teague; his brother, Bobby (Shelby) Clear; and several nieces, nephews, other relatives, and close and special friends; and

WHEREAS, Carl Clear 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 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 NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Carl E. Clear, 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. Clear.

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