

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1087

By Faison

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Representative Bill Dunn for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those fellow legislators who performed their duties with the utmost integrity and whose efforts during their time in office were dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their districts and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bill Dunn of Knoxville is one such distinguished public servant who has served the citizens of the 16<sup>th</sup> House District and this legislative body with honor and ability as a member of the 99<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>, 101<sup>st</sup>, 102<sup>nd</sup>, 103<sup>rd</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup>, 107<sup>th</sup>, 108<sup>th</sup>, 109<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup>, and 111<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, a recognized leader among his fellow members, Representative Dunn served as Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the 111<sup>th</sup> General Assembly and assumed the role of acting Speaker of the House on August 2, 2019, until the election of the new speaker on August 23, 2019; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Representative Dunn has been a highly influential figure in the political, social, and civic life of Knox County, and he has served his constituents in numerous capacities, always working diligently at his elected duties and expending the necessary effort to understand the opposing sides of complex issues; and

WHEREAS, as an active and dynamic participant in the legislative process during his time in the General Assembly, Representative Dunn has rendered sterling service as a past chair of the House Calendar and Rules Committee, the House Education Committee, the House Naming, Designating and Private Acts Committee, the Government Operations Committee, the

Transportation Committee, the House Agriculture Committee, the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee, the House Conservation and Environment Committee, the House State and Local Government Committee, the House Education Instruction and Programs Committee, the House Curriculum, Testing and Innovation Subcommittee, the House Education Instruction and Programs Subcommittee, the House Transportation Subcommittee, the House General Subcommittee of Education, the House K-12 Subcommittee, the House Public Transportation and Highways Subcommittee, the House Environment Subcommittee, the House Parks and Tourism Subcommittee, the House Resource and Industry Subcommittee, and the House Infrastructure Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dunn has also served as a member of the Joint Fiscal Review Committee, the Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance, and the Judiciary and Government Subcommittee of the Joint Government Operations Committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dunn served as House Republican Leader of the 104<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, chair of the House Republican Caucus Mentor Program of the 102<sup>nd</sup> and 103<sup>rd</sup> General Assemblies, Republican Caucus Parliamentarian of the 100<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, and chair of the Freshman Republican Caucus of the 99<sup>th</sup> General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service, Bill Dunn has been prominent as a dedicated and well-informed legislator who always votes his conscience; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Representative Dunn has been honored as the Powell Man of the Year, the Halls Man of the Year, the Tennessee Conservative Union's Legislator of the Year, the Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year, the East Tennessee Extension Agent of the Year, and the 2008 Conservative of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dunn is a family man and community leader, and he has proven that citizens can make a difference by being involved in community service and leading by example; and

WHEREAS, the executive vice president of QualPro, Bill Dunn obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science and a Master of Science degree in Extension Education from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman who truly appreciates the responsibilities, as well as the privileges, of leadership and citizenship, he has donated his time and energies as a member of the Halls Business and Professional Association, the Fountain City Business and Professional Association, the Powell Business and Professional Association, Tennessee Right to Life, the Fountain City Republican Club, the Powell Republican Club, and the Halls Republican Club; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career as a legislator, Bill Dunn has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents, bringing to his office an honorable bearing and the traditional values of hard work and common sense; and

WHEREAS, his many civic and professional accomplishments aside, Bill Dunn is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Stacy, and their five children, Daniel, Katie, Elizabeth, Rachel, and Michael, and five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bill Dunn is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized for his exemplary tenure in the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Representative Bill Dunn for his meritorious service to Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the citizens of the 16<sup>th</sup> House District, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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.