

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 212

By Powers

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Shields Worth
Richardson of LaFollette.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Shields Worth Richardson; and

WHEREAS, Worth Richardson 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, the son of Lee Roy and Hattie (Gaylor) Richardson, Worth Richardson loved to garden and enjoyed the company of his dog, Bo; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richardson was a veteran of the United States Army, and he served his country with an unwavering sense of duty and patriotism as a member of the 24th Infantry in the South Pacific Theater during World War II; and

WHEREAS, he was later stationed in Japan as part of the occupation force and saw the devastation from the atomic bombs first hand; he also saw General Douglas MacArthur during his tour of duty; and

WHEREAS, after years of working with acumen and alacrity, Worth Richardson retired in 1975 and moved to his native Campbell County; and

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

WHEREAS, Worth Richardson enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty-nine years, Ernestine Richardson, and he was the proud parent of Tom Richardson, Jack Richardson, Gerry Richardson, Terry Richardson, and the late Shelia Richardson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richardson will be sadly mourned but fondly remembered by his brother, James Richardson; his six grandchildren; his ten great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and a host of extended family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Shields Worth Richardson 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 the members of 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Shields Worth Richardson, 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. Richardson.

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