



State of Tennessee

House Joint Resolution No 727

By Mr. Speaker Naifeh and Representatives Purcell, Allen, Anderson, Armstrong, Arriola, Bell, Bittle, Boyer, Bragg, Brooks, Brown, Buck, Byrd, Callicott, Chiles, Chumney, Clark, Coffey, Ralph Cole, Ronnie Cole, Collier, Crain, Cross, Davidson, Davis, DeBerry, Dixon, Ferguson, Fisher, Fowlkes, Garrett, Givens, Gunnels, Haley, Halteman Harwell, Hargrove, Hassell, Haun, Head, Herron, Hillis, Huskey, Jackson, Johnson, Rufus Jones, Ulysses Jones, Joyce, Kent, Kernell, Kisber, Knight, Lewis, Liles, Love, McAfee, McDaniel, McKee, Meyer, Miller, Mires, Moore, Napier, Odom, Owenby, Peroulas Draper, Phelan, Phillips, Pinion, Pruitt, Ramsey, Rhinehart, Ridgeway, Rigsby, Rinks, Ritchie, Robinson, Severance, Shirley, Stamps, Stockburger, Stulce, Thompson, Tindell, Brenda Turner, Larry Turner, Venable, Walley, West, Westmoreland, Whitson, Karen Williams, Micheal Williams, Mike Williams, Windle, Winningham, Wix, Wood and Senators Harper, Kyle, McKnight, O'Brien, Cooper, Henry, Burks

A RESOLUTION to honor MR. DAVID L. MANNING on his outstanding service to Tennessee as Commissioner of Finance and Administration.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this Assembly should pause in their deliberations to honor a colleague, who has served the Citizens of Tennessee with dedication and devotion; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner of Finance and Administration David L. Manning of Nashville is one such outstanding public servant; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Manning was born on January 30, 1950, in Birmingham, Alabama, the son of William and Lula Manning; and

WHEREAS, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Alabama and his Master of Public Administration through the Southern Regional Training Program in Public Administration; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Manning began his exemplary career in state government in 1974 as a budget analyst in the Department of Finance and Administration; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, he moved to the State Treasurer's Office, serving as Administrative Assistant before being duly appointed Executive Assistant to the Treasurer in 1980; and

WHEREAS, in January 1987, David L. Manning was appointed by Governor Ned McWherter to serve as Commissioner of Finance and Administration, a position to which he was reappointed in 1991; and

WHEREAS, as Commissioner of Finance and Administration, he is the chief administrative and financial officer of state government with responsibility for developing the state's annual budget; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Commissioner Manning, the Department of Finance and Administration has served the Citizens of Tennessee with the utmost in professionalism and probity; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee received the number one ranking in the nation at managing finances and budgets by City and State magazine in 1991 and 1992. The magazine, widely regarded as an excellent source of government and business news, stated that "Tennessee could pen the manual for states on how to budget and manage money,"; and

WHEREAS, Financial World magazine ranked the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration fifth in the nation for financial management, an improvement from sixth in the 1991 rankings. Financial World is the nation's oldest business magazine reaching more than 500,000 leaders biweekly. Tennessee was the only state to be ranked in the top five of both City and State and Financial World magazines; and

WHEREAS, in a survey by CIO magazine, Tennessee was named to the 1992 CIO-100 for outstanding achievement in overall performance. Over 6,000 candidates competed for the selection, given to 100 business and government agencies who exemplify excellence in efficiency, productivity, financial management and effectiveness. Tennessee was one of only five state governments chosen in a selection dominated by America's best managed private companies; and

WHEREAS, the Data Management Association selected Commissioner Manning to receive its Information Processing Public Service Award, citing his leadership in "helping Tennessee take a leap in providing automated solutions for state services." The award, previously awarded to such notable Tennesseans as Vice President Albert Gore, is given annually to public officials who have taken a leadership role on issues affecting the information management field; and

WHEREAS, in 1992-93, Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration was awarded the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting; and

WHEREAS, the Department received the Government Finance Officers Association's 1994 Award for Excellence for the budgeting and financial planning category, communication and reporting sub-category for the 1993-1994 "Services Provided to the People of Tennessee" document; and

WHEREAS, for two consecutive years the Department has received the prestigious Distinguished Budget Award, presented annually by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. To receive this coveted award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan and as a communications device. The award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting; and

WHEREAS, during his two terms as Commissioner, David Manning has become renowned as a dedicated and well-informed Commissioner whose name is synonymous with integrity; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Manning's most enduring legacy is his unflagging commitment to devising an affordable health care system for all Tennesseans, the result of which is the TennCare system; he also played an integral role in developing and implementing the Children's Plan; and

WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career, Commissioner Manning has enjoyed the companionship and loving support of his wife, Donna, and their daughters, Emily and Laura; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby express our thanks and appreciation to Commissioner David L. Manning for his innumerable services to Tennessee and honor him for his distinguished career in the Department of Finance and Administration.

ADOPTED: April 21, 1994

/s/ Jimmy Naifeh
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

/s/ John Wilder
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

/s/ Ned McWherter
GOVERNOR