HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 631

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the good people of Shelby County upon the occasion of the county's bicentennial.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in joining with the cities and counties that comprise this great State in celebrating joyous and historic occasions; and

WHEREAS, bountiful and beautiful Shelby County and its citizens are most assuredly deserving of special recognition, as they celebrate the bicentennial anniversary of the county's founding this year; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County was drawn onto State maps for the first time on November 24, 1819, by an act of the General Assembly; the county was named for Isaac Shelby, the first governor of Kentucky and a Revolutionary War hero; and

WHEREAS, at its founding, Shelby County contained 625 square miles of land, and the population was between 250 and 350 people; and

WHEREAS, today, Shelby County is the State's largest county in population and geographic area, boasting more than 900,000 residents and 784 square miles; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee takes great pride in the accomplishments of Shelby County and is grateful for the positive impact the county has on the State's economy and the special place it has won in the hearts of its citizens and millions of visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County is one of the great counties in Tennessee, and it is most appropriate that the members of this General Assembly honor this fine community and its citizenry as they commemorate this significant milestone in their historic existence; 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 honor and congratulate the citizens of Shelby County upon the celebration of the county's bicentennial and extend to them our best wishes for continued success, growth, and prosperity in their outstanding community, which is a true Tennessee treasure.

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