

HOUSE RESOLUTION 123

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Robert Dial for his lifesaving actions.

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue a time-honored tradition of public service as first responders, those who render exemplary service every day as they come to the aid of those in distress; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Robert Dial, who recently used his training and personal excellence to help save the life of a fellow traveler on a flight from Knoxville to Orlando; and

WHEREAS, on that fateful day, a passenger on Mr. Dial's flight was experiencing a medical emergency when a call was raised asking if a doctor was on board; Mr. Dial and a nurse rushed to help, getting the gentleman out of his seat and quickly administering first aid; and

WHEREAS, heroically, Mr. Dial continued to give the man CPR for one and one-half hours, helping to keep him alive; and

WHEREAS, when the plane landed in Orlando, emergency vehicles were there to take the gentleman to the nearest hospital; and

WHEREAS, undoubtedly, if it had not been for Mr. Dial and the nurse on the plane, the passenger would not have survived; and

WHEREAS, outstanding in a crisis, this courageous first responder is a citizen of whom the Volunteer State is most proud, and he should be recognized for his professionalism and compassion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Robert Dial for his heroism and professionalism and offer our thanks for a difficult job well done.

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