TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

A RESOLUTION to honor Senator Jim Kyle of Memphis, Tennessee, for meritorious service on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor members upon completion of their terms who have performed their duties with the utmost integrity and whose efforts have ensured proper attention to innumerable issues in fulfillment of the Commission’s mission to serve as a forum for the discussion and resolution of intergovernmental problems, to provide high quality research support to state and local government officials in order to improve the overall quality of government in Tennessee, and to improve the effectiveness of the intergovernmental system to better serve the citizens of Tennessee;

WHEREAS, Senator Jim Kyle is a native Tennessean who earned his Bachelor of Science in Marketing at Arkansas State University, received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis;

WHEREAS, Senator Kyle is a founding partner and attorney with Domico Kyle and a member of the Memphis Bar Association, and with his wife Sara, has raised four wonderful children, Sarah, Mary, Jim, and Caroline;

WHEREAS, Senator Kyle has been recognized for his leadership over the years as 1991 Legislator of the Year by the Shelby County Deputy Sheriffs’ Association, 1992 Legislator of the Year by the County Officials Association of Tennessee and by the Tennessee District Attorney Generals Conference, 1996 Legislator of the Year by the Domestic Violence Task Force, 2008 Legislator of the Year by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association, and was the recipient of the 1985 Henry Toll Fellowship of the Council of State Governments and the 1999 President’s Award of the Tennessee Council of Teachers of English;

WHEREAS, Senator Kyle has served his community as a member of the 93rd through the 108th General Assemblies, being first elected in 1982 at the age of thirty-two;

WHEREAS, Senator Kyle has served as a member of the Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Rules Committee, and the Senate Calendar Committee in the 105th–108th General Assemblies, served on Joint Government Operations Committees in the 107th–108th
General Assemblies, the Joint Pensions and Insurance Committee in the 108th General Assembly, and as Senate Democratic Leader of the 104th through 108th General Assemblies, Chairman of the Select Oversight Committee on Corrections of the 96th through 100th General Assemblies, and chairman of the Democratic Caucus of the 95th General Assembly, he has served his constituents with great expertise and dedication for many years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these leadership roles, Senator Kyle has served with distinction on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations from April 2007 through August 2014 helping provide leadership and direction to the Commission’s staff; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS that we hereby honor and commend Senator Kyle for his valuable contributions to the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations for thirteen years and for his honorable and dedicated service to the good people of Shelby County, the city of Memphis, and this great state.

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Senator Mark Norris, Chairman