

TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Trustee Charlie Cardwell of Nashville, Tennessee, for meritorious service on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

WHEREAS, Trustee Cardwell served with distinction on the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations from 1988-1989 while state revenue commissioner under Governor Ned McWherter, and continuously from 2003 until his death, it is fitting that the members should pause to remember the exemplary life of this extraordinary public servant and individual;

WHEREAS, Trustee Cardwell was a native of Nashville, Tennessee; an alumnus of Howard High School, David Lipscomb College, and the University of Tennessee at Nashville; a Navy veteran; and a devoted husband and father;

WHEREAS, Trustee Cardwell served in several positions in the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, including auditor from 1963 until 1968, assistant chief accountant from 1974 until 1981, director of finance from 1981 until 1988, and as trustee from 1993 until his death—having been elected by Nashville voters to seven four-year terms;

WHEREAS, Trustee Cardwell received many awards in recognition of his distinguished public service, including the 1998 Outstanding County Official Award and 2003 Outstanding Trustee Award from the County Officials Association of Tennessee;

WHEREAS, Trustee Cardwell received many awards in recognition of his extensive service to his community, which included serving on the boards of Senior Citizens, Inc., the United Way of Metropolitan Nashville, the American Heart Association, the Rotary Club, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee, and the Bethlehem Centers of Nashville;

WHEREAS, Mayor David Briley said of Trustee Cardwell, "It's strange to imagine Metro government without Charlie Cardwell, who has helped lead our city forward for 60 years. Charlie's steady presence and keen mind for finance have been constants in Nashville's progress, and not many people could match his devotion to the city and its institutions;"

WHEREAS, Assessor of Property Vivian Wilhoite, said of Trustee Cardwell, "Charlie Cardwell was a gentle, soft-spoken giant of a gentleman. He was my colleague who I highly respected for his kindness and tireless public service. Charlie was a dedicated and true servant leader and a perfectionist of a dresser. Charlie will be missed, and his legacy will long be remembered;"

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TENNESSEE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS that we hereby honor the memory of Trustee Charlie Cardwell, reflecting on his valuable contributions to the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations and for his honorable and dedicated service to the good people of Nashville and Davidson County and this great state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we express our sympathy and offer our most heartfelt condolences to the family of Trustee Charlie Cardwell.

Mayor Larry Waters, Acting Chairman