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LOUIS A. PETERSON

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Louis A. Peterson begs to submit the following Memorial:

Mr. Peterson was born on March 5, 1909 in Lawton, Iowa. He was the son of Herman and Mary H. Peterson. He was a long time Lawton resident and began farming in 1933. He was a member of the Farm Bureau, Lawton Flying Club, Lawton Community Club and Woodbury County Fair Board, where he served as the head of the agricultural department. Mr. Peterson also served as township director, county treasurer, and county president. He was appointed to the County Farm and Home Administration Board and County Compensation Board. He served on the County Extension Board, Lawton School Board, where he was former president. He served on several Condemnation Committees for Iowa Public Service and Appraisal Committees of Farms to settle estates, County Board of Adjustment for County Zoning and Woodbury County Community Action Board. He established the rural Woodbury County Library and served on the County Library Board of Trustees. In 1989, he was recognized by the governor for his years of service and was inducted into the Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame. He was a member and elder of the Community Presbyterian Church, where he served on various boards.

Mr. Peterson, a republican, served four terms in the House of Representatives from 1961-1964, 1969-1970 and 1973-1974.

Mr. Peterson passed away on June 27, 2001. He is survived by a son, Dale of Lawton; two daughters, Karen Thomsen of Cumberland and Joyce Peterson of Kearney, Nebraska; a brother Clifford of Sioux City; a sister Helen Vermilyea of Sioux City; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

*Now Therefore, Be It Resolved By The House Of Representatives Of The Seventy-Ninth General Assembly Of Iowa,* That in the passing of the Honorable Louis A. Peterson, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

*Be It Further Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

CHRISTOPHER RANTS  
STEVE KETTERING  
STEVE WARNSTADT

Committee

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GEORGE P. RAPSON

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable George P. Rapson begs to submit the following Memorial:

George P. Rapson was born on March 20, 1903, the son of John and Johanna (Scheinpflug) Rapson. He had lived in Cherokee since 1935 and owned and operated Rapson Motor Company in Cherokee from 1935 until 1954. He had served on the Cherokee School Board, the Cherokee City Council, and was Cherokee Mayor from 1950 until 1958. Mr. Rapson was a past President of the Cherokee Rotary, past President of the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce, and was former Chairman of the Cherokee Industrial Corporation. In 1972, Mr. Rapson was awarded a plaque for service rendered to his community. He was a member and past master of Speculative Lodge #307 A.F. & A.M., a member of Sioux City Consistory and the Abu-Bekr Shrine Temple in Sioux City.

Mr. Rapson, a republican, served two terms in the House of Representatives from 1959-1962.

Mr. Rapson passed away on August 5, 1996 at the age of 93. Survivors include one son, George A. Rapson of Yorba Linda, California; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

*Now Therefore, Be It Resolved By The House Of Representatives Of The Seventy-Ninth General Assembly Of Iowa,* That in the passing of the Honorable George P. Rapson, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

*Be It Further Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

DANIEL HUSEMAN  
RALPH KLEMME  
STEVE WARNSTADT

Committee

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LESTER SICKELS

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Lester Sickels begs to submit the following Memorial:

Lester Sickels was born on June 27, 1909 near Grand City, Missouri. He lived most of his life in Ringgold County. He was a member of the local school boards for thirteen years before being elected to the county school board for twelve years. He belonged to the Mount Ayr Lions Club, the Odd Fellows Lodge and the Ringgold County Sheriff's Posse.

Mr. Sickels, a republican, served two terms in the House of Representatives from 1959-1962. Following his legislative service, he was appointed to a citizen's advocacy committee, which formed the fifth judicial district Correctional Board in 1979. He served on the board until 1984.