

Senate Resolution 260

By: Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Watson of the 1st, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Minister Darragh O'Brien on his outstanding public service;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Minister Darragh O'Brien has long been recognized by the people of Ireland for
4 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of his fellow citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, appointed in June 2020, he serves as an elected Teachta Dála for the
7 constituency of Dublin-Fingal, dedicating innumerable hours of his time and energy toward
8 the people of Ireland; and

9 WHEREAS, prior to his election to the 30th Dáil in 2007, he worked mainly in financial
10 services and was elected to the Fingal County Council in 2004 and to the Seanad Éireann
11 in 2011; and

12 WHEREAS, he has held various positions within the Oireachtas, including vice-chairperson
13 of the Public Accounts Committee; member of the Oireachtas Committee on Justice,
14 Equality, Defence and Law Reform; leader of Fianna Fáil in the Seanad; and opposition
15 frontbench spokesperson on Dublin, Foreign Affairs and Housing; and

16 WHEREAS, Minister Darragh O'Brien's significant organizational and leadership talents,
17 remarkable patience and diplomacy, and keen sense of vision have earned him the respect
18 and admiration of his colleagues, associates, and constituents; and

19 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high
20 ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and he possesses the vast wisdom
21 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
22 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

23 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
24 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

25 WHEREAS, Minister Darragh O'Brien has served with honor and distinction, and his vision
26 and unyielding commitment to excellence have set the standard for public service; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
28 remarkable and distinguished individual be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize and commend Minister Darragh O'Brien for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and
31 dedicated public service and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued health and
32 happiness.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Minister Darragh
35 O'Brien.