

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 122

By Eldridge

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Toney E. Winstead on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those resolute public servants who, in their years of work, have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Toney E. Winstead is one such individual who has served with distinction as Facilities Manager at the East Tennessee Regional Office (ETRO), State Park Maintenance, and is taking his much-deserved retirement on January 25, 2023, after thirty-six years of exemplary service for the State; and

WHEREAS, Toney Winstead was trained in the art of carpentry at a young age by his father, Gene, a mentorship that created a foundation for Mr. Winstead's skills in the years to come; and

WHEREAS, when he first began his tenure with the State of Tennessee, Mr. Winstead served as a member of the East Tennessee Force Account Maintenance Crew in Tennessee State Parks, and then after the Force Account crew was disbanded, he transferred to Panther Creek State Park, where he worked for several years, before accepting a position as surveyor with ETRO; and

WHEREAS, described by his peers as being "skilled in every phase of construction," Mr. Winstead has distinguished himself as an exceptional asset to his fellow workers and office as a whole since first coming to work with the ETRO. His skill and dedication to the job consistently made him a top choice in managerial promotion, which eventually led to his being selected as Facilities Manager in 2017 upon the retirement of the previous manager; and

WHEREAS, since assuming the role of Facilities Manager, Mr. Winstead has continued to serve with distinction and expertise; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Winstead exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career with the State of Tennessee, Mr. Winstead has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Toney E. Winstead our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.