

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 804

By Moody

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Bo Burk for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as president of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is attorney Bo Burk, who has served since 2014 as the District Public Defender for the Twenty-Fifth Judicial District, which includes McNairy, Hardeman, Fayette, Tipton, and Lauderdale counties; and

WHEREAS, recognized as a leader by his peers and colleagues, Mr. Burk has served with distinction as 2019-2020 president of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference; and

WHEREAS, born in Memphis, Mr. Burk is a graduate of Munford High School and the University of Memphis. He received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the Mississippi College of Law; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected member of the Tennessee Public Defenders Conference, he has previously served as vice president, secretary, treasurer, Western District Representative, and a member of the Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exemplary tenure as president of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference, Mr. Burk has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to this State; and

WHEREAS, Bo Burk was appointed by the Supreme Court to serve on the Advisory Commission on the Rules of Practice and Procedure and is a team member of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial District Drug Court; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the Tipton County Bar Association, the Fayette County Bar Association, and the Hardeman County Bar Association and a former member of the boards of directors for Corrections Management Corporation and Tipton Bancorp South; and

WHEREAS, an avid golfer and hunter, Mr. Burk enjoys spending time with his family, especially his son, Payton Harris Burk; and

WHEREAS, Bo Burk epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Bo Burk has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of the members of the bar and the bench and his community alike, bringing out the best in everyone he meets; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Bo Burk for his meritorious service to the good people of the State of Tennessee as 2019-2020 president of the Tennessee District Public Defenders Conference and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

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.