HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 843

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. Austin Emeagwai, Third Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Dr. Austin Emeagwai, who is being honored at the Third Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service he has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, the Third Annual Living Legend Awards ceremony, which honors Harriet Tubman and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be held at the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis on March 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Austin Emeagwai is a Professor of Accounting at LeMoyne-Owen College in Memphis and the president of ABC Accounting CPA; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed member of his profession, Dr. Emeagwai is a certified public accountant and a chartered global management accountant. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants; and

WHEREAS, he serves on the board of LeMoyne-Owen College Community

Development Corporation and is the founder and president of the Children Education

Foundation of Africa, a nonprofit organization; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Dr. Emeagwai has been honored by the Memphis City Council for his outstanding contributions to the community and recognized by

the Internal Revenue Service for his work with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Dr. Austin Emeagwai is most proud of the love and support of his wife, Appolonia Emeagwai, and their three children; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Austin Emeagwai is an exemplary individual; his commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; 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 congratulate Dr. Austin Emeagwai upon his recognition at the Third Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud his outstanding community leadership, and extend our best wishes for 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.