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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 850

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Gregory M. Duckett, 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 Gregory M. Duckett, 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, Gregory Duckett is senior vice president and chief legal officer of Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation; he is a Fellow in the Memphis Bar Foundation and the American Health Lawyers Association; and

WHEREAS, he previously served as Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Memphis and as a board member of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Duckett has also served as Director of Memphis Housing and Community Development, as state counsel to United States Senator Albert Gore, Jr., and as a member of the Clinton-Gore transition team; and

WHEREAS, an executive committee member of the National Civil Rights Museum Board, Gregory Duckett serves on the Tennessee Board of Regents, the Tennessee Election Commission, the Memphis River Parks Partnership, the Board of Directors of the Greater Memphis Area Chamber of Commerce, the Leadership Academy Board of Governors, and the Governor's Early Literacy Foundation, among others; and

WHEREAS, Gregory Duckett 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 Gregory M. Duckett 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.