

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1089

By Shepard

A RESOLUTION to honor District Attorney General Dan M. Alsobrooks on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body should honor those public servants who have performed with uncommon devotion and probity throughout their careers; and

WHEREAS, Dan M. Alsobrooks is one such estimable citizen who has served with distinction for twenty-four years and three terms as District Attorney General for the 23rd Judicial District of Tennessee, which is composed of Cheatham, Dickson, Houston, Humphreys, and Stewart counties; and

WHEREAS, General Alsobrooks is not seeking re-election to this important office and is taking a much deserved retirement effective August 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, during his illustrious tenure, General Alsobrooks helped create the first drug court and child advocacy center in the 23rd Judicial District, expanded services to crime victims, expanded the Drug Task Force, created the first meth education programs, expanded lower court and juvenile court prosecutor programs, established the first district computer forensic laboratory, and increased yearly delinquent child support collections from one million dollars to over eleven million dollars in the district; and

WHEREAS, as chairman of the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference Public Relations and Education Committee, General Alsobrooks helped develop and produce the Emmy-award-winning educational programs, *Meth is Death*, *Meth Destroys*, and *What's the Rush? Don't be a Teenage Parent*; and

WHEREAS, he previously served the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference as president and an executive committee member for more than ten years and still serves as a

member of the budget committee and trial advocacy training committee and as the child support chairman; and

WHEREAS, General Alsobrooks is a past president, past chairman of the board, and former board member of the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA); while serving as president of NDAA, he proposed the establishment of the National Prosecutor Memorial; and

WHEREAS, he served on the board of regents of the National College of District Attorneys from 2003 to 2006 and was voted an Emeritus member in 2005; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Tennessee Bar Association since 1978, General Alsobrooks is a former member of its board of governors; and

WHEREAS, he has worked with the General Assembly and the United States Congress and testified at both the state and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, General Alsobrooks has shared his vast knowledge of trial advocacy, ethics, and professionalism by teaching at the Ernest F. Hollings National Advocacy Center and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center; and

WHEREAS, Dan Alsobrooks served as Assistant District Attorney General for the 23rd Judicial District from 1978 until his election as District Attorney General in 1990; and

WHEREAS, General Alsobrooks has been honored with various awards, including the Patrick H. McCutchen Award, Tennessee's highest award for prosecutors, from the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference; and

WHEREAS, he gives back to his community as an active participant in the Rotary Club, Boy Scouts of America, and First Baptist Church of Dickson; and

WHEREAS, General Alsobrooks is a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Martin, having received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1974; he earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of Memphis School of Law in 1977; and

WHEREAS, his many professional and personal accomplishments aside, General Alsobrooks is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his children, Louis Alsobrooks, Rebecca Alsobrooks, and Alden Allen; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, General Dan Alsobrooks has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of members of the bench and the bar and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend District Attorney General Dan M. Alsobrooks on his exemplary service to the 23rd Judicial District, applaud his dedicated service to the good people of Tennessee, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.