

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Doug Scopel upon being named the 2018 Minor League Baseball Executive of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body 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 Doug Scopel, who was recently named the 2018 Minor League Baseball Executive of the Year; and

WHEREAS, *Ballpark Digest* bestowed this distinction upon Mr. Scopel for his efforts to make the Nashville Sounds franchise one of the leaders in minor league attendance and First Tennessee Park a destination for events as well as baseball games; and

WHEREAS, currently in his nineteenth season, Doug Scopel serves as vice president of the Nashville Sounds; he oversees all baseball operations, including travel, clubhouse management, and affiliate relations, and he is also the primary contact for umpires, visiting teams, and other baseball personnel; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scopel is a liaison between the Nashville Sounds and Nashville SC, the United Soccer League franchise that plays its home games at First Tennessee Park; he also liaises with local and state government officials on behalf of the Sounds; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished professional, Doug Scopel was instrumental in the vision for the new stadium, First Tennessee Park, which opened in 2015; more than two million fans have attended games since its opening; and

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Doug Scopel for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Doug Scopel upon being named the 2018 Minor League Baseball Executive of the Year 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.