## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45**

By White

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend John Harney upon being named the 2018 Business Person of the Year by the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce.

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 estimable person is John Harney, who was recently named the 2018 Business Person of the Year by the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Harney will be honored at the Chamber of Commerce's Business at its Best celebration on January 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Rutherford County, John Harney serves as a commercial real estate broker with the Parks Group and the chief executive officer of Park Trust Development; and

WHEREAS, devoted to community development, Mr. Harney began his real estate career in 1984. Since partnering with Bob Parks Realty in 1989, he has been instrumental in developing more than twenty-five residential communities, office condominiums, industrial projects, and a host of businesses, including the Amazon Distribution Center, Verizon Call Center, Nelson Mazda, Honda of Murfreesboro, Ruby Tuesday, and Chili's; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Leadership Rutherford, he serves as an executive board member of the Middle Tennessee Council of the Boy Scouts, a trustee of the Sam Davis Home Memorial Association, and a board member of Intend Ministries; he is a past board member of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Discovery Center at Murfree Spring; and

WHEREAS, John Harney epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic

of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, his notable accomplishments aside, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife of forty years, Debbie, their two children, and their three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Harney for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering commitment to others, and his astute leadership in Rutherford County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend John Harney upon being named the 2018 Business Person of the Year by the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in all 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