

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 248

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend C. Dwaine Evans of the Hamblen County Election Commission on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of service; and

WHEREAS, C. Dwaine Evans is one such estimable person, who served with probity for twenty-seven years with the Hamblen County Election Commission prior to his much-deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, Dwaine Evans demonstrated outstanding dedication to the Hamblen County Election Commission, first as chairman from June 2, 1988, to April 25, 2009, and then as secretary from April 25, 2009, to April 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious tenure, Mr. Evans administered election law and procedures equally and fairly to all; provided the most efficient, accurate, and secure election process possible; ensured the integrity of every vote cast; and exceeded the expectations of voters; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Dwaine Evans received his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law; he has practiced law in Tennessee since then, rendering sterling service to clients in civil litigation and business law. His areas of practice include business and commercial law, business organizations, construction law, divorce, family law, litigation and appeals, personal injury–plaintiff, probate and estate administration, real estate law, and workers' compensation law; and

WHEREAS, he lends his professional expertise as a member of both the Hamblen County and Tennessee Bar Associations, as well as the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association; and

WHEREAS, in addition, he has served as both director and president of Girls Inc. of Hamblen County; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Evans received the AV Preeminent rating from Martindale-Hubbell, an esteemed peer review rating system for lawyers, which is no small achievement; and

WHEREAS, Dwaine Evans exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Dwaine Evans demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, clients, and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend C. Dwaine Evans for his twenty-seven years of meritorious service to the Hamblen County Election Commission, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

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