

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 332

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Sergeant Charles Michael Bay of the Lebanon Police Department on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Charles Michael Bay of the Lebanon Police Department is one such estimable individual, who has devoted his life to the preservation of law and order and the protection of his fellow citizens, and has taken his well-deserved retirement after twenty-five years in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, a 1979 graduate of Gallatin High School, Sergeant Charles Bay completed a bachelor's degree in criminal justice at Cumberland University and a master's degree in criminal justice at Bethel University; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bay served the Wilson County Sheriff's Department from 1996 to 1999 and the Lebanon Police Department from 1999 to 2021, rising through the ranks of officer, detective, and sergeant; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated professional, Sergeant Bay has served as an instructor in several areas of expertise, including DUI and Domestic Violence; he also served as the commander of the Hostage Negotiator Team; and

WHEREAS, during his extensive career, Sergeant Charles Bay performed his duties with acumen and alacrity, helping his fellow citizens in any way that he could and proving himself time and again to be a tremendous asset to the Lebanon Police Department; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Sergeant Charles Bay is the doting father of Phillip and Heather; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Charles Bay exemplifies the value of hard work, compassion, and devotion to community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean and diligent officer of the law; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Sergeant Bay has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the sincere respect and admiration of his colleagues, his fellow officers, and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Sergeant Charles Michael Bay of the Lebanon Police Department upon the occasion of his retirement, extending our gratitude for his many years of dedicated service to the residents of Lebanon and our best wishes for 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.