SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 544

By White

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Ron Meers upon his induction into the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame.

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 noteworthy person is Ron Meers, who was recently inducted into the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meers enjoyed an exemplary forty-three-year career as an educator, retiring in 2012, after having served an illustrious thirty-year tenure as Director of Bands at Riverdale High School; and

WHEREAS, prior to his employment at Riverdale High School, Ron Meers served as Director of Bands at Mt. Pleasant High School for thirteen years; and

WHEREAS, Ron Meers earned his Bachelor of Science degree at David Lipscomb University and received his Master +30 from Cumberland University; and

WHEREAS, highly respected by his peers in the field of music education, Mr. Meers is a past president of the Tennessee Music Education Association (TMEA), the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association (MTSBOA), the Tennessee Bandmasters Association, and Phi Beta Mu; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished career, he has served as TMEA Performing Group Audition Chair, All-State/Mid-State Audition Chair for MTSBOA, audition chair for the Governor's School for the Arts, and Tennessee All-State Band Chair; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Meer was inducted into the Tennessee Music Education Association's Hall of Fame on April 7, 2011, and the Riverdale High School Band Room was renamed in his honor as the Ronald S. Meers Band Hall; and WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their

deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Ron Meers on this special occasion; 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 hereby honor and commend Ron Meers upon his induction into the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame 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.