

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 609

By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Bobby Trotter upon his induction into the REdl 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 Bobby Trotter, who will be inducted into the REdl Hall of Fame as a member of its inaugural class in a special ceremony to be held at the Paradise Ranch and Event Center in Springfield on May 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the REdl Hall of Fame, an initiative of the REdl Education Foundation, celebrates the accomplishments of those who have graduated from Robertson County public schools and impacted the world far beyond the reaches of their hometown, thus showing current students that there is no limit to what they can achieve; and

WHEREAS, the REdl Education Foundation strives to have a positive impact on the educational culture in Robertson County by giving exceptional support to local schools and providing investments of time and money; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Bradford High School Class of 1968, Mr. Trotter was a Tennessee Highway Patrol Road Trooper from 1974 until 1986, at which time he was assigned to Governor Ned McWherter's security detail; he held this post until 1994 and later served as part of Governor Don Sundquist's security detail; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Bobby Trotter became captain of the Tennessee State Capitol and Legislature Security Detail and served in that capacity until his retirement in 2008; since that time, he has served as a Sergeant-at-Arms at the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, a civic leader, Mr. Trotter was elected as Springfield Ward 2 Alderman in 2014, and he was reelected to that position in 2018; and

WHEREAS, during his lifetime, Mr. Trotter has had the opportunity to meet and assist Rosa Parks; attend two presidential inaugurations and inaugural balls as well as both Democratic and Republican National Conventions; and shake hands with five U.S. Presidents: Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, and Barack Obama; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Bobby Trotter for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; 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 Bobby Trotter upon his induction into the REdl Hall of Fame and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in 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.