

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 693

By Bailey

A RESOLUTION to recognize Daryl Blair on the occasion of his retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Daryl Blair is one such estimable person, who served with distinction for thirty-one years as a firefighter with the Putnam County Fire Department and who recently announced his much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blair has also served with the Cookeville Fire Department for twenty-nine years, and he will continue to serve in his role as a captain; and

WHEREAS, Daryl Blair joined the Putnam County Fire Department as a volunteer in 1985 and was promoted to chief ten years later; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to his community, Chief Blair is a member of the Putnam County Commission and the current chair of the county budget committee; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the Putnam County Fire Department was recognized as the top volunteer fire department in Tennessee for three years in a row for conducting the most training hours, and Mr. Blair was recognized as Fire Chief of the Year by the Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association; and

WHEREAS, a past president of the Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association, Daryl Blair is an active and important part of his community and his profession, and he participates in numerous worthy organizations; and

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

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Daryl Blair has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; 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 extend to Daryl Blair our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every 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.