

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1452

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Rob Klein upon his receipt of the National Park Service Interior Region 2 Wildland Fire and Aviation Excellence Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Rob Klein, who was recently named the winner of the National Park Service Interior Region 2 Wildland Fire and Aviation Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, Rob Klein is a Fire Ecologist at Great Smoky Mountains National Park; for more than twenty years, he has contributed to and advanced the National Park Service's mission of managing our nation's national parks for the benefit of future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Wildland Fire and Aviation Excellence Award is presented annually for outstanding achievement in leadership and collaboration, and Mr. Klein was nominated to receive this award by his peers for his collaborative mindset, inclusive communication, and unquestionable integrity; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, he worked collaboratively with fire management staff and university researchers to coordinate ecological research, while completing several extensive updates to fire management plans for the Appalachian-Piedmont-Coastal Zone; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of people such as Rob Klein, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others and who should be specially recognized for their public and community service; 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 recognize and congratulate Rob Klein upon his receipt of the National Park Service Interior Region 2 Wildland Fire and Aviation Excellence Award, extending our best wishes for much continued success.

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.