

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1603

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A RESOLUTION to honor Jarvis Greer on the occasion of his retirement from journalism.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize those legendary journalists who devote their careers to informing and inspiring the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is WMC-TV Action News 5 Sports Director Jarvis Greer, who is taking his well-deserved retirement at the end of this year after forty-three years of devoted work in journalism, marking the end of an era in sports reporting for the Mid-South; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Greer grew up a little more one mile from 1960 Union Avenue in Memphis, and after he graduated from Memphis State University on Saturday, April 30, 1979, it was there that he went to work for Action News 5, that very next Monday; and

WHEREAS, in his more than four decades with Action News 5, Jarvis Greer has traveled to countless locations with every Mid-South team, including the University of Memphis Tigers, the Memphis Chicks, and the Memphis Grizzlies; and

WHEREAS, his long-held passion for sports has suffused his professional work and was evident during his time as a standout athlete at Christian Brothers High School and Memphis State University, as well as in his performance on WMC's softball, soccer, and basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exceptional career, Mr. Greer has enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Emily; two children, Jarvis Jr. "J.J." Greer and McKenzie Nash; and grandchildren, James Nash, Karon Nash, Jr., and Theo, Lennon, Isla, and Roe Greer; and

WHEREAS, his plans for retirement include traveling with his wife and spending more time with his beloved grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, no matter what his next adventure may be, we are confident that Jarvis Greer will bring his trademark competitive nature and expertise to his future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is our privilege to honor one of Tennessee's most noteworthy journalists on this special occasion; 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 WMC-TV Action News 5 Sports Director Jarvis Greer on the occasion of his retirement, commend his many contributions to sports journalism in the Mid-South, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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.