

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1644

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to recognize Detective Kirk Whitefield on the occasion of his retirement.

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

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Detective Kirk Whitefield, who has served with distinction as a member of the Lebanon Police Department for thirty years and took his much-deserved retirement in 2021; and

WHEREAS, a 1989 graduate of Lebanon High School, Detective Whitefield began his career with the Lebanon Police Department in 1991 and rose through the ranks, serving as officer, lieutenant, and detective; for most of his career, he served as a detective in the criminal investigations division and retired as detective; and

WHEREAS, known for his work as a tenacious, meticulous, and methodical investigator, Detective Whitefield worked on some of the largest and most complex cases within the department and assisted with countless more with other agencies; as a result of his dedication to service, Detective Whitefield helped bring some of the worst criminals to justice while also helping bring closure to victims and their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Detective Whitefield was rightfully honored with a number of awards during his career in law enforcement; he received the Unsung Hero, Officer of the Year, and Investigator of the Year awards multiple times over the span of his career; and

WHEREAS, Detective Whitefield is extremely grateful for the love and support of his wife, Julie; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Detective Kirk Whitefield demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and the citizens of Lebanon; 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 extend to Detective Kirk Whitefield of the Lebanon Police Department 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.