

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 355

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A RESOLUTION to honor Alan Icenhour on his new role as Deputy for Operations at Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

WHEREAS, we take great pleasure in paying tribute to those dedicated professionals who utilize their diverse experience, invaluable perspective, and institutional knowledge to advance their employers' mission; and

WHEREAS, Alan Icenhour will assume the leadership role of Deputy for Operations at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) on May 1, 2021, after thirty years of exemplary service as an employee of that institution; and

WHEREAS, deeply committed to the lab's success, Mr. Icenhour has steadily risen through a series of leadership roles that have uniquely prepared him to lead by example in ensuring operational excellence across the ORNL enterprise; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as associate laboratory director for Nuclear Science and Engineering and the new Isotope Science and Engineering Directorate, Mr. Icenhour demonstrated an ability to identify opportunities, build collaborations, establish a vision, and lead in new directions, building trust and developing talent along the way; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Icenhour's leadership has strengthened ORNL's position in fusion energy deployment, nuclear energy modeling and simulation, isotope production, nuclear energy, and national security, all fields that are foundational to ORNL's identity and future; and

WHEREAS, he has also built productive relationships with Department of Energy sponsors and other partners who value his disciplined, thoughtful approach; and

WHEREAS, as ORNL's new chief operating officer, Mr. Icenhour will play a central role in fulfilling the lab's commitment to simultaneous excellence in science and technology, mission support, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Icenhour started out as an engineer who performed safety analyses and reviews for ORNL's nuclear facilities and then served as a research staff member in the Chemical Technology Division; he then spent twenty-one months as a senior technical advisor to the National Nuclear Security Administration's Office of Nonproliferation Research and Development; and

WHEREAS, he returned to oversee the Nuclear Material Processing Group before becoming interim director of the Fuel Cycle and Isotope Division, director of the Global Nuclear Security Technology Division, and director of the Nuclear Security and Isotope Technology Division; and

WHEREAS, prior to his career at ORNL, Alan Icenhour proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy as a nuclear submarine officer; after leaving active duty, he continued service as a reservist and over a twenty-six-year career rose to the rank of Captain; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman of many talents, he is a Fellow of the American Nuclear Society and has served as chairman of the East Tennessee Economic Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Icenhour earned his bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering from North Carolina State University and his master's and doctorate degrees in nuclear engineering from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, we are confident that Alan Icenhour will play a critical role in the continuation of ORNL's extensive legacy in science, research, and technology; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Alan Icenhour on assuming the leadership role

of Deputy for Operations at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, commend his thirty years of service to ORNL, and extend to him our best wishes for every 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.