

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 963

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Lieutenant Richard Earl Cash on the occasion of his retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Richard Earl Cash is one such estimable person who served the Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) with distinction for twenty-eight years and who took a much deserved retirement in March 2012; and

WHEREAS, he began his lifelong career of service and sacrifice with the United States Army 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division; and

WHEREAS, committed to protecting our nation's citizens, he joined the Tennessee Highway Patrol, serving as a critical incident stress de-briefer, motorcycle unit supervisor, and Lieutenant in Troop A/Third District over Humphreys, Dickson, Cheatham, and Davidson counties; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of North Side High School, Lieutenant Cash earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice at Middle Tennessee State University and completed coursework at the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety Police Staff and Command; and

WHEREAS, through his continuing education and extensive service, he gained special qualifications as a DUI instructor, Stinger Spike System instructor, aerosol chemical weapons/handheld sprays instructor, field training officer, and crash reconstructionist; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Cash seized every opportunity for special training, including completing courses such as "Managing Civil Actions in Threat Incidents" and "Weapons of Mass Destruction Hands-On Training" at the Center for Domestic Preparedness, the State and

Local Anti-Terrorism Training Program at Bureau of Justice Assistance, and several courses in technology and computerized investigation systems; and

WHEREAS, he also attended the United States Department of Justice Terrorism Conference, the Vehicular Homicide-DWI Conference, Accident Reconstruction School, and Advanced Collision Reconstruction School; and

WHEREAS, in his retirement, he is looking forward to spending more time with his supportive wife of fifteen years, Denise Andre; their three children, Jennifer, Russ, and Heather; and their four grandchildren, Ayden, Conner, Calli, and Brennan; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Richard Cash exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Lieutenant Cash has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we thank Lieutenant Richard Earl Cash of the Tennessee Highway Patrol for his valiant service to the citizens of the State of Tennessee and extend to him 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.