

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7019

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Mike Brown on the occasion of his retirement.

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

WHEREAS, Mike Brown is one such estimable person, who, having rendered more than thirty years of sterling service to the Tennessee Department of Transportation, will take his much-deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown began his career with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) in 1989, working in the construction field as a project supervisor; and

WHEREAS, throughout his lengthy tenure at TDOT, Mike Brown served in several positions, including Assistant Region 3 Traffic Engineer, Region 3 Special Projects Engineer, Region 3 Maintenance Supervisor, Region 3 Operations Specialist Supervisor II, and the TDOT Region 3 Director of Operations, in which position he prepared and managed a multimillion-dollar regional maintenance budget; and

WHEREAS, among his many responsibilities, Mr. Brown oversaw contracts related to maintenance issues and ensured that the requirements of the contracts were enforced; managed bridge inspections, repairs, construction, policies, and safety; maintained databases on regional vehicles; and supervised interstate paving and placement programs, among numerous other responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Mike Brown earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Tennessee Technological University in 1989 and received his Professional Engineer license in 2008; he is also a 2011 graduate of the Tennessee Government Management Institute; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional accomplishments, Mike Brown is most grateful for the love and support of his beloved wife of more than thirty years, Rachel Brown, with whom he shares two daughters and four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mike Brown exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career with the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Mike Brown has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and his community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Mike Brown 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.