

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 12

By White

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Chris Jones upon being named the 2022 Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Chris Jones, who was recently named the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce 2022 Business Person of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a twenty-four-year professional with Middle Tennessee Electric, Chris Jones serves as president and the fifth CEO in the cooperative's eighty-five-year history; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as CEO, Mr. Jones helped guide the organization through a merger with Murfreesboro Electric Department, several severe weather events, and the acquisition of United Communications; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones earned a degree in communications from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his community, Chris Jones is a graduate of Leadership Rutherford, chair of Destination Rutherford, past chair of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, and past chair and current board member of the Williamson County Chamber of Commerce; he also serves as a board member of United Communications, the Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association, the Tennessee Chamber of Commerce, the Middle Tennessee Industrial Development Association, and United Way of Rutherford and Cannon Counties; and

WHEREAS, Chris Jones epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Chris Jones for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering commitment to others, and his astute leadership in Rutherford County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Chris Jones on being named the 2022 Business Person of the Year by the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

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.