

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7106

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Gerald Parish for his honorable and astute service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Parish is one such estimable person, who evinces the greatest integrity and probity as the director of the Recreation Educational Service Division (RES) of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Lambuth College, Mr. Parish has served in his current post since July 2011 and has more than forty years of experience in the recreations field; he also handles technical assistance and grant program requests for West Tennessee communities; and

WHEREAS, after more than four decades of exemplary service, Gerald Parish will be taking his much-deserved retirement on August 29, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Mr. Parish who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Parish is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized for his many accomplishments and devoted work; 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 honor and commend Gerald Parish for his

honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee as we offer 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.