

SENATE RESOLUTION 2

By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to commend Ron Roberson upon his receipt of the Jo Reed Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ron Roberson is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, recently, Mr. Roberson was presented the "Jo Reed Award" by the Leadership Germantown Alumni Association for his many years of community service; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Leadership Germantown Alumni Association honors an individual who is involved in multiple forms of volunteer work and who is a Germantown resident, representing the characteristics of Jo Reed, a woman who had lived her life dedicated to the service of Germantown and who was tragically killed; and

WHEREAS, Ron Roberson, a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, serves as an Associate Minister at Germantown Church of Christ and is involved in many aspects of his community; and

WHEREAS, a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to his community, Mr. Roberson serves as Chaplain and Executive Committee member of Germantown American Legion Post 250, which recently shipped more than 1,400 pounds of care packages to troops stationed overseas; and

WHEREAS, he further serves his community on the Public Education Commission and the Germantown Safety City program, which he helped establish and which teaches young children traffic awareness and bicycle safety; and

WHEREAS, a 2003 graduate of the Leadership Germantown program, Mr. Roberson is an active member of the Leadership Germantown Alumni Association and a member of the Board of Directors with the Germantown Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, his future plans for his community include initiating a program called "I'm Ready" with the Public Education Commission that would endeavor to help residents become better prepared for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Ron Roberson's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Roberson is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Ron Roberson 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; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Mr. Ron Roberson for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee, congratulate him upon his receipt of the Jo Reed Award, and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.