

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 810

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A RESOLUTION to honor TBI Deputy Director Edward B. Jones on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, the members of this body take great pleasure in paying tribute to those outstanding individuals who have dedicated their careers to protecting and serving the general public; and

WHEREAS, Edward B. Jones, the Deputy Director of Administration for the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI), is one such exemplary professional who is embarking upon a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) with a concentration in management. He is also a graduate of the Tennessee Government Executive Institute at the University of Tennessee and is an alumnus of Leadership Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Edward Jones served as an assistant special agent in charge of TBI's Middle Tennessee Criminal Division before serving as commissioner and deputy commissioner of the Department of General Services at different intervals from 1995 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, appointed to his current position in September 2004, Mr. Jones oversaw the fiscal, legal, personnel, and training offices, and he was always willing to lend his support to other divisions when needed; and

WHEREAS, he evinces his faith at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, which he has served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, his many professional achievements aside, Mr. Jones is most appreciative of the love, respect, and companionship he shares with his wife, Dr. Cindy Jones, and their two children, Sara and Lee; and

WHEREAS, Edward Jones and his wife are also co-owners of Bella Optical, Inc., in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones is an avid water skier and golfer, and he plans to continue those activities in his retirement. He also enjoys supporting his alma mater, MTSU, and cheering on the University of Tennessee Volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Edward Jones has served with dedication in state government for more than thirty-five years and is richly deserving of our approbation on the occasion of his retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Deputy Director Edward B. Jones for thirty-five years of dedicated service to the State of Tennessee and extend to him our best wishes for continued success and happiness during his much deserved retirement.

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