

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 468

By Beck

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Joey Seals on his induction into the Nashville Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pride in specially recognizing those individuals whose exceptional accomplishments on the baseball diamond bring honor to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Joey Seals, who was inducted into the Nashville Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame on January 16, 2019, at the Old Timers Baseball Association's 81st annual banquet; and

WHEREAS, the son of Billy Joe and Montye Seals, Joey Seals grew up in Madison and graduated from Goodpasture High School in 1985 before enrolling at Belmont University, where he walked on as a member of the baseball team; and

WHEREAS, playing for legendary Belmont baseball coach Dave Whitten, Mr. Seals won acclaim as a switch-hitting catcher for the Rebels and earned himself a scholarship before graduating in 1989 with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Management; and

WHEREAS, Joey Seals continued his baseball career as a professional after signing a contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers, having been picked by the team in the 1989 June Amateur Draft; and

WHEREAS, he played three years for the Dodgers organization before an injury ended his career in Major League Baseball; he continued to play baseball after returning home to Nashville, playing in the Stan Musial League for seven years for both the Twitty City Records and the Nashville Sitxx and eventually playing in the Stan Musial World Series in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Seals began his illustrious career in the real estate auction industry after completing his baseball career, and he currently serves as the broker of CENTURY 21 Seals Realtors & Auction; and

WHEREAS, an active part of his community, he is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Madison, a former chairman of the board of the Madison/Rivergate Area Chamber of Commerce, a board member of Creator Kids Preschool, and a faithful member of Madison Church of Christ, where he serves as a deacon and member of the Building and Grounds Committee; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Mr. Seals is lucky to share love and companionship with his wife, Shannon, and their three children, Elizabeth, Jonathan, and Jacob; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we honor and commend this exceptional athlete and distinguished community leader on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Joey Seals upon his induction into the Nashville Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success in all 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.