

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 691

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A RESOLUTION to honor Scott W. Gilmer upon his exemplary service to the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those valuable legislative employees who have performed with unwavering devotion and enthusiasm throughout their tenure with the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Scott W. Gilmer, Chief of Staff for Speaker Cameron Sexton, is one such estimable professional who has been employed by the House of Representatives since 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gilmer has served with distinction as Chief of Staff under three different House Speakers during the past seven-plus years; as senior advisor to the Speaker, he has expertly managed daily legislative operations, overseen strategic projects, and relayed information as the Speaker's principal communicator to members; and

WHEREAS, Scott Gilmer is now departing the legislative complex to pursue a new career as Vice President for Business Development for the Path Company; and

WHEREAS, in announcing Mr. Gilmer's transition to the private sector, Speaker Cameron Sexton praised Scott's "incredible institutional knowledge and experience"; and

WHEREAS, to this litany of virtues we would add Mr. Gilmer's affability and his kindness to his colleagues and employees; through these qualities, he has made the House of Representatives a kinder, more compassionate place to work; and

WHEREAS, a native of Lobelville, Mr. Gilmer began his illustrious tenure on Capitol Hill as a research analyst for the House Republican Caucus; he then served as the House's Director of Policy and Research before becoming Chief of Staff for Speaker Beth Harwell; and

WHEREAS, prior to his legislative career, Scott Gilmer spent nine years working for Lipscomb University in enrollment management and was eventually promoted to Director of Admissions; and

WHEREAS, he earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Tennessee at Martin and received a master's degree in public policy from Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, as he undertakes new endeavors, Scott Gilmer is looking forward to spending more time with his family, which includes wife, Amber; daughter, Adaline; mother, Gayle Gilmer; and sister, Dr. Shelby Olds, and her family; and

WHEREAS, Scott continues to cherish the relationship he had with his father, the late J. Wayne Gilmer, and the many life lessons he learned from him; and

WHEREAS, a legislative veteran of nearly thirteen years, Scott Gilmer has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and the leadership and members of the House or Representatives; and

WHEREAS, although we will miss him greatly, we bid Scott a fond farewell as he embarks on new adventures; 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 honor and commend Scott W. Gilmer upon his exemplary service to the House of Representatives as Chief of Staff for three Speakers, thank him for his expertise and efficiency as an administrator, and wish him all the best in his new career in the private sector.

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.