

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 862

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mark L. Stansbury, Sr., Third Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Mark L. Stansbury, Sr., who is being honored at the Third Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service he has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, the Third Annual Living Legend Awards ceremony, which honors Harriet Tubman and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be held at the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis on March 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a native of Memphis, Mark L. Stansbury, Sr., retired after a two-decade career as Assistant to the President at the University of Memphis, having served under the appointment of Dr. Tom Carpenter, Dr. V. Lane Rawlins, and Dr. Shirley C. Raines; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the University of Memphis, Mr. Stansbury served as Shelby County Field Director for the Office of the Governor in Memphis during the tenure of Governor Ned Ray McWherter; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Lane College in Jackson, Mr. Stansbury enjoyed an outstanding career in higher education, which included tenures as the interim president of Southwest Tennessee Community College and interim vice president for advancement at LeMoyne-Owen College; and

WHEREAS, Mark Stansbury has rendered sterling service to his community as a member of the Shelby Farms Park Conservancy, the Shelby County Historical Commission, the

E 911 Emergency Communications District, and the Memphis Race Relations and Diversity Institute Executive Council; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Stansbury has lent his time and talents to a number of organizations, including the NAACP, Leadership Memphis, WDIA Goodwill Fund, the Boys Club, YMCA, YWCA, The Works, Inc., and the Memphis Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Mr. Stansbury is most proud of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Imogene, and their four sons and five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mark L. Stansbury, Sr. is an exemplary individual; his commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; 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 Mark L. Stansbury, Sr., upon his recognition at the Third Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud his outstanding community leadership, and extend our best wishes for 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.