

HOUSE RESOLUTION 22

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Linda Nettles Harris upon her receipt of the Living Legend Community Involvement Harriet "Moses" Tubman Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body 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 Linda Nettles Harris, who received the Living Legend Community Involvement Harriet "Moses" Tubman Award in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the good people of the 86<sup>th</sup> House District in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a Tennessee-licensed attorney and solo practitioner whose practice focuses on mediation, arbitration, and investigation, Linda Harris currently serves as the part-time contractual executive director at Mid-South Community Justice and Mediation Center, Inc. (Mid-South CJAM); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harris is a Tennessee Supreme Court Listed Rule 31 civil law and family law mediator, and she currently serves as a commissioner of the Tennessee Supreme Court Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission, chair of the Education Committee, and member of the Advisory Rules Committee for the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to her community and her field, Ms. Harris has served numerous boards and organizations, including the Ben F. Jones Chapter of the National Bar Association, Memphis Bar Association, Tennessee Association for Professional Mediators, District 86 Advisory Board, Memphis Bar Foundation, Omicron Delta Kappa, Girls Incorporated, Theatre Memphis, Women's Theatre, Festival of Memphis, and Shelby County Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Harris has received the Memphis Area Legal Services Access to Justice Award, Target Marketing's Keeper of the Dream Award, and St. Mark's Baptist Church's MLK, Jr., Community Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Linda Harris is an exemplary individual; her commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and she 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, that we honor and commend Linda Nettles Harris upon her receipt of the Living Legend Community Involvement Harriet "Moses" Tubman Award, applaud her outstanding community leadership and service provided to the 86<sup>th</sup> House District, and extend to her our best wishes for continued success in her 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.