

HOUSE RESOLUTION 247

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Michael O. Ugwueke, 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 Michael O. Ugwueke, 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, Michael Ugwueke is the president and chief executive officer of Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare System in Memphis and oversees a workforce that includes 13,000 associates, 2,500 affiliated physicians, and numerous volunteers, providing care to 1.2 million people in the Mid-South; and

WHEREAS, before joining Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare in 2007, Mr. Ugwueke served in numerous senior executive roles at Provena Health, MedStar Health, Sarasota Memorial Hospital, and others in a career that spans more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, Michael Ugwueke holds a doctorate in health administration and leadership from the Medical University of South Carolina, a master's degree in public health from Emory University, and a bachelor's degree from Shaw University; and

WHEREAS, an active part of the Memphis community, Mr. Ugwueke has lent his time and talents to numerous organizations, including Church Health Center, Greater Memphis

Chamber of Commerce, National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis Bio-Works, Memphis Tomorrow, Memphis Medical District Collaborative, New Memphis, Soulsville Foundation, SunTrust Bank Memphis Advisory Council, and the University of Memphis Board of Visitors, to name but a few; and

WHEREAS, Michael Ugwueke 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, that we congratulate Michael O. Ugwueke 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.