



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 890

By Representatives Cooper, Chism, DeBerry, Hardaway, Lamar, Leatherwood, Miller, Parkinson, Thompson, Towns, Vaughan, White

and

Senator Rose

A RESOLUTION to recognize Karanja A. Ajanaku, 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 Karanja A. Ajanaku, 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 distinguished journalist, Karanja Ajanaku has served as the executive editor of *The New Tri-State Defender* in Memphis since 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ajanaku is a strong media and communications professional and holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Journalism; and

WHEREAS, Karanja Ajanaku 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 Karanja A. Ajanaku 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.

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ADOPTED: March 2, 2020



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6th day of March 2020



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR