

State of Tennessee

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 33

By Representative Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Beverly Robertson upon her receipt of the Living Legend 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 Beverly Robertson, who received the Living Legend Award in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the good people of the 86th House District in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, currently serving as the interim chief executive officer of the Greater Memphis Chamber, Beverly Robertson is the first African-American woman to hold the position; through Trust Marketing, the public relations firm she runs with her husband, Howard, she planned and managed the chamber's Ascend Business Development Program; and

WHEREAS, for nearly twenty years, Mrs. Robertson served as president of the National Civil Rights Museum, in which position she welcomed such influential leaders as the Dalai Lama, Oprah Winfrey, former South African President Nelson Mandela, former President Bill Clinton, and former Secretary of State Colin Powell; and

WHEREAS, she began her corporate career as a part-time reservations agent at Holiday Inn while she taught at an elementary school; by the end of her nineteen-year tenure with the company, she was director of communications for Holiday Inn Worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Robertson 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 Beverly Robertson upon her receipt of the Living Legend Award, applaud her outstanding community leadership and service provided to the 86th 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.

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ADOPTED: March 4, 2019

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