

## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 265**

## By Representative Keisling

## and

## Senators Bailey, Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Todd Upton upon his induction into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly pay tribute to those gifted athletes, coaches, and administrators who have attained the very pinnacle of sporting achievement; and

WHEREAS, Todd Upton is one such legendary athlete, who was recently inducted into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, an iconic figure within the annals of the Celina High School football program thanks to his stellar play as a linebacker and offensive guard, Mr. Upton was known as one of the most effective players in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Todd Upton's play garnered numerous accolades, including the Tri-Lakes Conference Defensive MVP, McDonald's TACA Player of the Year, and All-State honors on the combined Class A-AA team; and

WHEREAS, his dominant play was key to his team's success on the gridiron, and without his outstanding support, the performance of Hall of Fame quarterbacks Jimmy "Crank" Hull, Darryl Reecer, Dewayne Reecer, Craig Ogletree, and Kevin Watson would surely have suffered; and

WHEREAS, a true athlete, Mr. Upton continued to participate in Clay County sports after high school, playing men's softball and fishing; and

WHEREAS, Todd Upton demonstrated leadership, skill, and athleticism throughout his athletic career, and it is fitting that we should honor him on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Todd Upton upon his induction into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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 6, 2023
CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
RANDY MCNALL SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
APPROVED this day of 2023
BILL LEE, GOVERNOR