

## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 45**

## By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to recognize Sheriff Mike Breedlove of the Cheatham County Sheriff's Department on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Cheatham County Sheriff Mike Breedlove is one such individual, who has devoted his life to the preservation of law and order and the protection of his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, a member of law enforcement for over forty years, Sheriff Breedlove has taken his well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, first beginning his law enforcement career as a Metro Nashville police officer in 1980, Sheriff Breedlove joined the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) four years later as a special agent; and

WHEREAS, while working as a lead agent with the TBI, Mr. Breedlove worked complex homicide investigations and public corruption cases. He also graduated from the FBI National Academy and attended several schools to achieve his goal of becoming a skilled homicide investigator, working homicide for nearly two decades; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Breedlove began teaching at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Academy and traveled across the state leading courses on crime scene and death investigation; and

WHEREAS, he was honored as TBI Agent of the Year in 2000 for his diligence in solving complex homicide cases; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from the TBI after thirty years of service, he was elected Cheatham County Sheriff in 2014 and won a second term in 2018 in an unopposed election; and

WHEREAS, during his extensive career in law enforcement, Sheriff Breedlove performed his duties with acumen and alacrity, helping his fellow citizens in any way that he could and proving himself time and again to be a tremendous asset to the TBI and the Cheatham County Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Mike Breedlove exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Sheriff Breedlove demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the sincere respect and admiration of his colleagues and the citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor Cheatham County Sheriff Mike Breedlove upon the occasion of his retirement and commend his many years of distinguished service, wishing him continued success in all 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: February 1, 2023
RANDY McNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
APPROVED this 10th day of February 2023
BILL LEE, GOVERNOR