State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 595

By Senator Southerland

and

Representatives Faison, Hawk

A RESOLUTION to recognize Captain John Huffine on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Captain John Huffine is one such estimable person who served the Greene County Sheriff's Department with distinction for thirty-four years and who recently took a much-deserved retirement on January 3, 2012; and

WHEREAS, he began his lifelong career of service and sacrifice as a United States Marine during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, committed to protecting our Nation's citizens, he joined the Greene County Sheriff's Department in February, 1978, as a sheriff's deputy, in which position he worked for seven years before his impressive work ethic resulted in his promotion to patrol sergeant and, a year later, chief deputy; and

WHEREAS, with his acute investigatory skills and strong leadership abilities, he steadily rose to the position of field supervisor in the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) and finally to CID captain in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Captain Huffine's prominence in the field never impeded his ability to connect with his peers or mentor young officers; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of the law enforcement community, he has served as a DARE officer for three years and as a member of the Sheriff's Department SWAT team for ten years, instructed police academy cadets in DUI enforcement, and became a certified hostage negotiator; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional service, he has participated in numerous worthy organizations, including the PTA, the Boy Scouts of America, and the Explorers; and

WHEREAS, in his retirement, he is looking forward to spending more time with his beloved wife and family and embarking on new endeavors, such as developing a film production company with his son in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Captain Huffine exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Captain John Huffine has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Captain John Huffine our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every 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.

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ADOPTED: February 27, 2012

RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 6th day of March 2012

BILL HASLAM, *GOVERNOR*