



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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An ordinance naming the County Clerk's Office Lobby at the Howard Office Building in honor of Mike Taylor, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Davidson County Clerk's Office.

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor graduated Antioch High School in 1969 and served in the United States Army from 1970 - 1972. He held the positions of private and sergeant and was stationed in Vietnam during the war; and

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor began his career with the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County on March 14, 1973. He was responsible for moving license plates out of the Metro Courthouse boiler room; and

WHEREAS, as Chief Deputy Clerk, Mike Taylor monitored operations of the office, advised the County Clerks on Tennessee State law, motor vehicle regulations and policies, maintained rapport with counterparts in the Tennessee Department of Revenue, the Motor Vehicle Dealer Commission, and numerous Metro departments, and assured that all assets of the County Clerk's Office were secured and safeguarded daily; and

WHEREAS, after 49 years of service, Mike Taylor retires on March 14, 2022, joining a select group of the longest tenured employees of the Metropolitan Government and only one of six active employees with over 45 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor was an integral part of the administration of five County Clerks, R.E. Worrall, Bill McPherson, Bill Covington, John Arriola, and Brenda Wynn; serving each with honor and fidelity; and

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor has served under every mayor of Nashville after the consolidation of the municipal government with the government of Davidson County, from Mayor Beverly Briley to Mayors Richard Fulton, Bill Boner, Phil Bredesen, Bill Purcell, Karl Dean, Megan Barry, David Briley and John Cooper; and

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor is a loving husband, a father of two, a grandfather of two, an avid traveler, a dedicated public servant, and a beloved and highly respected colleague; and

WHEREAS, Mike Taylor's immeasurable contributions to the Davidson County Clerk's Office and his impact on the City of Nashville are a lasting legacy which will be felt far beyond retirement; and

WHEREAS, Section 13.26.010 of the Metropolitan Code provides that no building or structure of the Metropolitan Government may be named except pursuant to an ordinance duly adopted by the Metropolitan Council; and

WHEREAS, given the many years of dedicated and faithful service to the Metropolitan Government and the residents of Nashville and Davidson County, it is fitting and proper that a facility at the Howard Office Building be named in honor of Mike Taylor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the lobby of the County Clerk's Office on the first floor of the Howard Office Building is hereby

named “Mike Taylor Lobby”.

Section 2. That the Department of General Services is directed to erect the proper signage designating the lobby of the County Clerk’s Office as “Mike Taylor Lobby.”

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This ordinance names the County Clerk’s Office Lobby at the Howard Office Building in honor of Chief Deputy Clerk Mike Taylor. Mr. Taylor began his career with Metro on March 14, 1973. After 49 years of service, Mr. Taylor retires on March 14, 2022. This ordinance would rename the lobby the “Mike Taylor Lobby” and General Services would be directed to erect proper signage with this designation.

Section 13.26.010 of the Metro Code provides that no building or structure of the Metropolitan Government may be named except pursuant to an ordinance duly adopted by the Metropolitan Council. There are no other restrictions on renaming buildings or structures by ordinance.