

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1863

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Bill McCarter upon his retirement from the City of Topeka public works department.

WHEREAS, After 59 years of working for the city of Topeka, Bill McCarter retired in March 2010; and

WHEREAS, Bill worked as an engineering affairs officer in the public works department, where he began working in 1951 as a senior at Topeka High School. Officials in the department believe that he may have set a longevity record for city employees; and

WHEREAS, Bill was known for his vast knowledge of the history of public works in Topeka, as well as his kindness and people skills in answering questions and concerns for the public. He would often go out of his way to help those effected by city projects and would spend his evenings and weekends helping people who he wasn't able to help while he was in the office during regular business hours; and

WHEREAS, In 1985, Bill was the recipient of an Award of Merit from the Kansas Chapter of the American Public Works Association for his outstanding performance; and

WHEREAS, Bill also served 43 years in the Kansas National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Bill and his late wife Shirley raised five children in Topeka, four of whom are still living. The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2002. Bill plans to use his free time to finish a book to preserve his memories of his life with his family now that he has retired: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Bill McCarter for his long and dedicated career with the engineering division of the City of Topeka public works department, thank him for his years of generosity to the people of this city, and wish him all the best with his personal interests in his retirement; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Hensley.

Senate Resolution No. 1863 was sponsored by Senator Anthony Hensley.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*