



Legislation Text

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Retirement: Byron Daniels
All Members of Council

Recognizing the Sergeant at Arms, Byron J. Daniels, Sr. on his retirement.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

WHEREAS, born and raised in Toledo, Ohio, Byron J. Daniels, Sr. was born the 6th child, of 11, to Reverend Willie and Aljay Daniels; and

WHEREAS, Byron graduated from the historic Jesup W. Scott High School, where he played football, and joined his fellow team mates in bringing home three city league championships; "ONCE A BULLDOG, ALWAYS A BULLDOG"; and

WHEREAS, a member of the 46th Toledo Police Department's (TPD) academy class, at the age of 40, Byron was hired into the TPD on December 10, 1993; since his hiring, he has worked in Operations, Community Services, the Police Probation team and on September 1, 2017, Byron was promoted to Sergeant at Arms for the Toledo City Council; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Officer Daniels, then part of the TPD's Police Prevention Team, had a leadership role in the third annual Brains and Body Summer Fitness Challenge held at Robinson Jr. High School teaching "young people to use their bodies, and their brains"; and

WHEREAS, Byron, humbly often tells young people about his upbringing in the Brand Whitlock homes, previously the oldest affordable, public housing complex in Toledo, sharing his childhood struggles growing up in a one parent home, "...straight from the hood. No silver spoon in my mouth", he tells them; and

WHEREAS, through the motto "keep your record clean", Byron encourages the youth; because,--with a clean record, opportunities are endless; and

WHEREAS, Byron and his wife Clydia Harris, of 48 years, have two beautiful children, Shannon and Byron Jr. (BJ), six grandchildren and three, soon to be four, great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Byron is an avid runner who has run multiple marathons; he works out daily, watches football and other sports in his "Man Cave", and enjoys reading, particularly, his favorite book, the Bible; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2024, Sergeant at Arms, Byron J. Daniels, Sr. will retire after 31 years at the Toledo Police Department, including seven of those years serving Toledo City Council; and

WHEREAS, in retirement Byron plans on taking time to travel and spend more time with his family, and catch as many performances of The Lion King, as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That we recognize Byron J. Daniels for his years of dedication and service to Toledo, the Toledo Police Department, City Council staff and City Council. He will be significantly missed.

Adopted February 28, 2024: yeas 10, nays 0.

Attest:

Julie Gibbons
Clerk of Council

Carrie Hartman
President of Council

Approved:

February 21, 2024
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor