

By: Senator Teague

SENATE RESOLUTION

TO HONOR THE CAREER OF WAYLAND LOVELL UPON HIS
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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, when Wayland Lovell graduated from South Arkansas University in Magnolia, Arkansas, in 1962, he became the Assistant Coach and a classroom instructor at his alma mater, Ashdown High School, in Ashdown, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, in 1966, Mr. Lovell became a social worker for the Arkansas Social Services Work and Training Program which was designed to train heads of families who were either unemployed or underemployed; and

WHEREAS, from 1968 to 1973, Mr. Lovell worked for the Division of Youth Services as a parole officer and counselor where he was the first of two juvenile parole officers employed by the State of Arkansas and was responsible for parole supervision of all youth paroled from the state training schools and living in the western half of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Mr. Lovell returned to the Department of Social Services where he was the Director of the Nursing Home Section, now known as the Office of Long-Term Care of the Department of Human Services; and



WHEREAS, from 1975 to 1978, Mr. Lovell served as a re-integration officer where he was a counselor and advocate for youth on parole; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, Mr. Lovell became the director of the Youth Services program for the Southwest Arkansas Counseling and Mental Health Center where he has served for 35 years; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Lovell's career he served families and youth in need with grace and dignity, and those families who will never forget his dedication and devotion; and

WHEREAS, after more than 52 years of public service, Mr. Lovell's insightful motto remains true: "Many people want to teach a kid a lesson, but we need to be very careful about the lessons we teach",

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate of the Ninetieth General Assembly honor Wayland Lovell upon his retirement and commend his contributions to Arkansas as a social worker for more than 52 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption, a copy of this resolution be presented to Wayland Lovell by the Secretary of the Senate.