

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 717

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Tom Griscom to the Public Charter School Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105, provides for the creation of the Public Charter School Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(b)(1)(A), provides that the commission be composed of nine members appointed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(c)(3) provides that at least three members from each grand division of the state must serve on the commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105, has appointed Tom Griscom as a member of the Public Charter School Commission representing East Tennessee for a term that will expire on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Tom Griscom has more than forty years of experience in the communications field; his former positions include assistant to the president for communication and planning under President Ronald Reagan, reporter, editor, and publisher of the *Chattanooga Free Press*, press secretary for United States Senator Howard Baker, and executive director of the National Republican Senatorial Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Griscom has served as a member of the Tennessee Board of Regents, president of Chattanooga Rotary, and board chair of Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, and he served in the United States Army from 1972 to 1980, receiving an honorable discharge as Captain; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(b)(1)(A), provides that each appointed member shall be confirmed by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Tom Griscom to the Public Charter School Commission for a term that will expire on June 30, 2023.