

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 103

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Marquita Qualls to the state university board of Tennessee State University.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-101, provides for the governance of Tennessee State University by a state university board; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that the governor shall appoint eight members to the state university board of Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, further provides that at least three of the gubernatorial appointees shall be alumni of the institution for which they are serving and that at least six of the nine voting members of the state university board shall be residents of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Marquita Qualls to the state university board of Tennessee State University for a term that will expire on March 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Tennessee State University's chemistry program, Ms. Qualls earned her Ph.D. at Purdue University and joined GSK, a major pharmaceutical company, prior to founding her own company, Entropia Consulting, a small management consulting firm specializing in strategy, operations, and development for STEM-related companies; and

WHEREAS, she has also served as the president of the National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers and was a member of the team that developed the Leadership Development System for the American Chemical Society; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the state university board of Tennessee State University shall be subject to confirmation by the senate and the house of representatives; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Marquita Qualls to the state university board of Tennessee State University for a term that will expire on March 31, 2027.