

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 162

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Dr. Joseph Warren Walker III of Nashville 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 (8) 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 (3) of the gubernatorial appointees shall be alumni of the institution for which they are serving and that at least six (6) of the nine (9) voting members of the state university board shall be residents of the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Dr. Joseph Warren Walker III of Nashville to the state university board of Tennessee State University for a term that will expire on June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected member of his community, Dr. Walker is the senior leader of the historic Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Nashville; he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern University; a Master of Divinity degree from Vanderbilt University; a Doctor of Ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary; and honorary doctorates from Meharry Medical College, Southern University, and Kentucky State University; 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 TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Dr. Joseph Warren Walker III to the state university board of Tennessee State University for a term that will expire on June 30, 2026.