

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 748

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Mario Duarte to the advisory board for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-501, established an advisory board for the University of Tennessee (UT) at Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-501, provides that the governor shall appoint five members to such advisory board; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Mario Duarte to the advisory board for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga for a term that expires on June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Mario Duarte has spent nearly fifteen years in different management capacities at the Chattanooga-based Volkswagen of America, Inc., where he is now Senior Director of Culture and Organizational Development; and

WHEREAS, having receiving a bachelor's degree in business administration from the Universidad de Monterrey in Mexico, he returned to school after arriving in Chattanooga and earned an MBA from UT Chattanooga in 2014; he later participated in the Executive Education Advance Management Program at IESE Business School in Barcelona, Spain; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Duarte currently serves on the UT Chattanooga Chancellor's Community Council and on the search committee for UT Chattanooga's first Director of Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-9-501, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the advisory board for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga shall be confirmed by the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we confirm the appointment of Mario Duarte to the advisory board for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga for a term that expires on June 30, 2026.