

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 65

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Dr. Brian Noland upon being named an Honorary Alumnus of East Tennessee State University.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and talent toward enhancing the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Dr. Brian Noland, who was recently named an Honorary Alumnus of East Tennessee State University, a most befitting honor that recognizes his contributions to his community and his profession; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brian Noland has served as the president of East Tennessee State University since 2012 and has since led the university through two major strategic visioning processes, which have paved the way for numerous new initiatives, partnerships, and programs; and

WHEREAS, among the building projects initiated during his tenure are the construction of the Martin Center for the Arts, the William B. Greene Jr. Stadium, and a student parking garage, in addition to several renovation projects, including the D.P. Culp Student Center; and

WHEREAS, a respected leader in his field, Dr. Noland organized the school's transition from the Tennessee Board of Regents to a board of trustees, introduced several new academic programs and regional partnerships, and, most recently, boasted the highest six-year graduation rate in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Noland has made an indelible impact on his profession, and his research and mentorship will continue to edify and inspire for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we recognize Dr. Brian Noland, his exemplary career, and his most recent honor at this time; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Dr. Brian Noland upon being named an Honorary Alumnus of East Tennessee State University and extend to him our sincere best wishes for much continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.