SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 116

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Karen Clark of Oak Ridge to the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201, provides for the creation of the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(a)(1)(A)(ii), provides that the Speaker of the Senate shall appoint a teacher or instructional supervisor in the intermediate grades four through eight (4-8) to the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Randy McNally, Speaker of the Senate, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(a)(1)(A)(ii), has appointed Karen Clark of Oak Ridge as a member of the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission for a term that will expire on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Karen Clark is a reading specialist at Willow Brook Elementary School in the Oak Ridge School System, where she has rendered sterling service for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark has been in the field of literacy education for over thirty years, instructing students from Head Start through the community college level; she has worked as a teacher, literacy coach, independent consultant, staff developer, and reading specialist at the school and system levels; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Presentation Academy in Louisville, Kentucky, Karen Clark received a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from the University of Louisville and a Master of Education with a Reading Specialist Endorsement from the University of North

Carolina; she trained as a reading recovery teacher through Georgia State University and Tennessee Technological University and completed Comprehensive Intervention Model training through Georgia State University; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(b)(1), provides that each appointed member shall be confirmed by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Karen Clark to the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission for a term that will expire on June 30, 2021.