

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 533

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A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Carolyn Hardy of Memphis to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-101, provides for the creation of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-103, provides that the Governor shall appoint seven members to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam has appointed Carolyn Hardy as a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation to a term beginning January 8, 2018, and expiring June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a native of Memphis, Ms. Hardy is a successful business leader who has over twenty-five years of management experience, beginning with her tenure at the J.M. Smucker Company, which culminated in her becoming the organization's first African-American female plant manager; after serving as vice president of services for Honeywell-POMS, she joined Coors Brewing Company as the first African-American female vice president and general manager of a major brewery; she purchased the Coors plant in 2006 and formed Hardy Bottling Co., the first African-American woman-owned major brewery, which she later sold to City Brewing; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Ms. Hardy was named the chair of the Greater Memphis Chamber of Commerce and became the first African-American woman to hold that esteemed position; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Hardy is an active citizen of her State and community; she has served as chairperson of the Soulsville Foundation, the Memphis Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Board of Directors, the University of Memphis Board of Trustees and Board of Visitors and the Philanthropic Black Women of Memphis; in addition, she previously served on the Women's Foundation for a Greater Memphis Board of Directors, Memphis Athletic Ministries Board of Directors, and Memphis Riverfront Development Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hardy is a person of integrity and an active citizen whose benevolence, acumen, and strong commitment to public service have helped to enhance the well-being of this State and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-51-103(f), provides that each member appointed by the Governor to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation shall be confirmed by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Carolyn Hardy to the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation for a term beginning January 8, 2018, and expiring June 30, 2021.