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A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of David Watson to the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, as amended by Chapter 993 of the Public Acts of 2012, provides for the creation of the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, further provides that the governor shall appoint nine (9) members to such commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam has appointed David Watson of Lookout Mountain to serve on the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission (TFWC); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watson will represent District 4 in East Tennessee during a term that will expire on February 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watson is a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville from which he received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, an Eagle Scout and Member of the Order of the Arrow, Mr. Watson has run the New York City, Chicago, and Marine Corps marathons; and

WHEREAS, he has been a partner in the Mountain View Auto Group since 1982; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watson is actively involved with several outdoor and sporting organizations; he is a member of the Dunaway Hunting and Fishing Club, Poteet Dove Club, Ducks Unlimited, Delta Waterfowl, Safari Club International, and the National Wild Turkey Federation, and is a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association and Trout Unlimited; and

WHEREAS, an avid fly-fisherman, Mr. Watson has fished all over the Western United States, Alaska, New Zealand, and Argentina; he is also an enthusiastic turkey, waterfowl, and upland game hunter and holds a Tennessee Lifetime Sportsman License; and

WHEREAS, as a fish and wildlife commissioner, Mr. Watson is “looking forward to serving fellow Tennesseans, as well as protecting, conserving, and maintaining our incredible wildlife resources for future generations to hunt and fish”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watson’s experience and dedication to wildlife and conservation issues will be a tremendous asset to the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201(b)(1), provides that each member appointed to the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission by the governor shall be confirmed by the house agriculture and natural resources committee and the senate energy, agriculture, and natural resources committee and by joint resolution of the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of David Watson of Lookout Mountain to serve on the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission for a term that will expire on February 28, 2015.