

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 681

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Dr. Valencia May to the board of trustees of Austin Peay State University.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-101, provides for the governance of Austin Peay State University by a board of trustees; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that the governor shall appoint eight (8) members to the board of trustees of Austin Peay State University; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Dr. Valencia May to the board of trustees of Austin Peay State University for a term that will expire June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Valencia May is a general dentist and the owner of Plaza Dental Offices in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, after earning a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Austin Peay State University, Dr. May enrolled in the University of Tennessee's College of Dentistry, from which she graduated in the top 20 percent of her class; and

WHEREAS, she then embarked on a seven-year career with the United States Air Force, providing dental care for enlistees at bases in Michigan and Mississippi; after leaving the military, she returned to Memphis and opened her own dental practice; and

WHEREAS, a member of Austin Peay State University's African American Alumni Chapter, Dr. May was honored with the university's Young Alumna Award in 2003; she lends her considerable skills and expertise to a number of professional organizations, including the Memphis Dental Society, the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Dentistry's Alumni Association, the Tennessee Dental Association, the American Dental Association, and the National Dental Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. May is a person of integrity who brings a strong commitment to the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the board of trustees of Austin Peay State University shall be confirmed by the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this body confirms the appointment of Dr. Valencia May to the board of trustees of Austin Peay State University for a term that will expire June 30, 2025.