

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 875

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Sharon Jean-Philippe to the State Forestry Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides for the creation of a State Forestry Commission within the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, further provides that the Governor shall appoint seven members to the commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Sharon Jean-Philippe to the State Forestry Commission as the representative of the public at large for a term that expires on June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Jean-Philippe is an Associate Professor of Urban Forestry in the Department of Forestry, Wildlife, and Fisheries at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jean-Philippe successfully led the development and approval of her department's forestry curriculum concentration in "Urban Forestry"; she teaches courses in the fields of urban forestry, tree law, urban soils, and arboriculture; and

WHEREAS, she applies her substantial teaching skills to promote outreach programs to the citizens of Tennessee; her University of Tennessee Extension appointment allows her to work with Extension agents and specialists, as well as directly with Tennesseans, to help them with their urban forest needs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jean-Philippe holds a Master of Science degree in Botany and a Ph.D. in Natural Resources from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Jean-Philippe is a person of integrity 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 11-4-201, provides that each member appointed by the Governor to the State Forestry Commission shall be confirmed by joint resolution of 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 we confirm the appointment of Sharon Jean-Philippe to the State Forestry Commission for a term that expires on June 30, 2024.