

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Attorney and community leader Derrick Mitchell of  
2 Houston has been appointed by Governor Greg Abbott to the Board of  
3 Regents of Texas Southern University; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Mitchell will serve as one of the nine regents  
5 of TSU, one of the most diverse institutions of higher learning in  
6 Texas, with more than 9,700 graduate and undergraduate students  
7 from around the world; Mr. Mitchell's six-year term will end in  
8 February 2021; and

9           WHEREAS, Since earning his bachelor's degree in finance from  
10 the University of Houston and his law degree from the University of  
11 Houston Law Center, Derrick Mitchell has enjoyed a successful  
12 career as an attorney; he is a partner in the public law section of  
13 the Houston office of Bracewell and Giuliani LLP, where he works as  
14 a bond counsel, disclosure counsel, and underwriter's counsel; he  
15 also has an extensive background in corporate and business  
16 transactions; and

17           WHEREAS, In addition to his professional responsibilities,  
18 Mr. Mitchell serves as board counsel to a number of community  
19 colleges, and he is a member of the executive committee of the  
20 Houston chapter of the National Black MBA Association as well as a  
21 board member of Scenic Houston, Row House Community Development  
22 Corporation, and Harris County Improvement District No. 8; he has  
23 previously served as chair of the Greater Houston Partnership Local  
24 Relations Committee and as a member of the Texas Securities Board;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Higher education in the Lone Star State benefits  
3 greatly from the leadership and dedication of public-spirited  
4 individuals such as Derrick Mitchell, and he will undoubtedly be a  
5 strong and dynamic advocate for the university; now, therefore, be  
6 it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Derrick Mitchell on his  
9 appointment to the Texas Southern University Board of Regents and  
10 extend to him sincere best wishes for success in his important work;  
11 and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Mr. Mitchell as an expression of high regard by the  
14 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2537

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2537 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House