By: Reynolds H.R. No. 2537

RESOLUTION

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

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

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9 WHEREAS, Since earning his bachelor's degree in finance from

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

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;

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- 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.