



State of Tennessee

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 55

By Representatives Camper, Clemmons, Thompson, Chism, Gillespie, Hardaway, Harris, Leatherwood, Miller, Parkinson, Pearson, Towns, Vaughan, White

A RESOLUTION to honor the All-Female Senior Leadership Team of the City of Memphis in celebration of Women's History Month in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the month of March was officially designated as Women's History Month in 1987; and

WHEREAS, every March, Women's History Month provides an opportunity to honor the achievements of those women who have paved the way wherein every person has an opportunity to pursue the American dream; and

WHEREAS, the Volunteer State is proud to be the home of a number of historic, pioneering women, including the All-Female Senior Leadership Team of the City of Memphis, the members of which currently help lead that government in the administration of Mayor Jim Strickland; and

WHEREAS, this impressive group of women includes Fire Chief Gina Sweat, who leads the Memphis Fire Department; Chief Operations Officer Chandell Ryan, who is the first woman to hold that post; Police Chief Cerelyn "C.J." Davis, who is the first woman to lead the Memphis Police Department; Chief Financial Officer Shirley Ford, who previously served as the comptroller for the City of Memphis; Chief Human Resources Officer Alex Smith; Jennifer A. Sink, who serves as Chief Legal Officer/City Attorney for the City of Memphis; Maria Fuhrmann, who is the Chief of Staff for Mayor Strickland; and Allison Fouché, who is the Chief Communications Officer; and

WHEREAS, in saluting these women during Women's History Month, let us remember that when women succeed, America succeeds, as does Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor the All-Female Senior Leadership Team of the City of Memphis for their many contributions to the State of Tennessee as we celebrate Women's History Month and the generations of trailblazing women who have built our State and their vital contributions to our country's history.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: April 3, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Sexton', is written over a horizontal line.

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES