

THE STATE OF



TENNESSEE
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

PARDON

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, in March of 1988, in the Circuit Court of Warren County, Tennessee, James Norris was convicted of selling a controlled substance (case no. F-5658); and,

WHEREAS, Tennessee's constitution and statutory law authorize the governor to grant executive clemency, including the power to issue pardons; and

WHEREAS, this case appears to me to be a proper one for the exercise of executive clemency for the following reasons:

Mr. Norris transformed his life since his conviction over thirty years ago. Mr. Norris is active in his church, where he has attended almost thirty years. Mr. Norris is a member of Gideons International. Mr. Norris has been employed as a driver since 2014, but has missed out on promotions and other employment opportunities as a result of his conviction. Mr. Norris has the support of his wife, his many friends, and his community. The Tennessee Board of Parole recommended granting a pardon to Mr. Norris.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Article III, Section 6 of the Tennessee Constitution and by the laws of the State of Tennessee, do hereby grant a pardon in favor of Mr. James Norris, pardoning him for his 1988 conviction of selling a controlled substance.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at Nashville, Tennessee on this 22nd day of December, 2022.



GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE

