Resolution Endorsing Tennessee University Faculty Senates (TUFS) Statement on Supporting Early Voting Polling Places on College Campuses

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has called for more emphasis on civics education; and,

WHEREAS, the Tennessee University Faculty Senates represents over 10,000 faculty members at public, four-year institutions across Tennessee; and,

WHEREAS, as educators in this state, we encourage students to be productive citizens who are engaged in their communities; and,

WHEREAS, understanding and exercising the right to vote for those who enjoy that right is a key element in participating in American democracy; and,

WHEREAS, convenient access to a polling place encourages citizens to cultivate practices of voting and life-long participation in the democratic process; and,

WHEREAS, students may choose to declare their university place of residence as their permanent address; and,

WHEREAS, we support the goal of increasing voter participation across the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Tennessee University Faculty Senates supports efforts to provide early voting polling places on university campuses for use by all county residents.

Passed by majority vote MTSU Faculty Senate April 8, 2019.

Pippa Holloway, President