

THE STATE OF



TENNESSEE
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

PARDON

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, in July 1991, in the Criminal Court of Haywood County, Tennessee, Tina L. Jackson (TOMIS #164264) was convicted of attempted possession of schedule II drugs (case no. 1789B) and sentenced to six years of probation after serving four months in jail. In March 1995, in the Criminal Court of Haywood County, she was convicted of possession of schedule II drugs- cocaine and delivering cocaine to her imprisoned husband (case no. 2147). These convictions and other related misdemeanor convictions arose from behavior related to substance abuse; 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:

Ms. Jackson has been rehabilitated since her release. She changed her mentality during her incarceration as a result of numerous programs. She determined that she wanted to change, to be a teacher, and to make a difference. Upon release, she and her husband began a prison ministry and then began working in the Haywood County School District as an educational assistant as early as 2004. Ms. Jackson recently earned her bachelor's degree in elementary education (2019) and her master's degree in special education (2020). She has paid all outstanding legal fines and fees. Numerous supporters testified in support of a pardon including the Director of Special Education, the Mayor of Brownsville, the Superintendent of Haywood County Schools, a program specialist for the Community Corrections Program, her pastor, her daughter, and friends. The Tennessee Board of Parole recommended pardoning Ms. Jackson.

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 Tina L. Jackson, pardoning her for her 1991 and 1995 convictions.

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 2nd day of December, 2021.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE

