

Governor Harry W. Nice, William S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller, and Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer. Subsequently, in 1949, Mr. Davis was reappointed a member of the Maryland Unemployment Board by Governor William Preston Lane, Jr. He was reappointed to this position as Chairman in 1943 and 1949 by Governors Herbert R. O'Connor and William Preston Lane, Jr., respectively.

At the request of Governor William Preston Lane, Jr., in April 1949, Mr. Davis accepted the appointment as the Commissioner of Personnel. Governors Theodore R. McKeldin and J. Millard Tawes reappointed Mr. Davis as Commissioner of Personnel in 1955 and 1961, respectively. Mr. Davis remained as Commissioner of Personnel under the administration of former Governor Spiro T. Agnew and at Mr. Agnew's request, served as Commissioner of Personnel until January 1, 1969.

As State Commissioner of Personnel, Mr. Davis has had the responsibility of administering the classified system of State employees under the Merit System, and under his direction and leadership, notable progress has been made on behalf of both the State and its employees. Mr. Davis has been unusually aware of the problems of the State employees and he has worked hard and vigorously to promote a climate conducive to understanding and harmonious relationships.

Mr. Davis' greatest contribution to the State of Maryland has been the exceptional quality of integrity which he has continuously displayed in his capacity as a public official and his insistence that this quality of integrity be maintained by all members of his department. The high esteem with which Mr. Davis is held by the officials of this State, the citizens of Maryland, and the employees of this State is an excellent indication that his integrity and ability are well recognized and appreciated.

Russell S. Davis is a gentleman and one of the finest of all outstanding citizens in the State of Maryland. His courtesy, consideration and abilities have won him a secure place in the esteem and affection of the State of Maryland; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sincere congratulations of every member of the General Assembly are extended to Mr. Russell S. Davis on the occasion of his leaving public service as State Commissioner of Personnel; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the Secretary of State is directed to send copies of this Resolution to Mr. Russell S. Davis.*

Approved May 2, 1969.

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No. 6

(Senate Joint Resolution 25)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the Legislative Council to reappoint the 1968 Committee on Student Financial Assistance, or a similar committee, for the purpose of studying the Tuition