

THE STATE OF



TENNESSEE
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

PARDON

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, on March 19, 1984, in the General Sessions Court for Shelby County, Tennessee, Robert James Sheard, Jr. of Memphis was convicted of misdemeanor assault and battery (case no. 83292019) and received a sentence of probation (11 months, 29 days); and

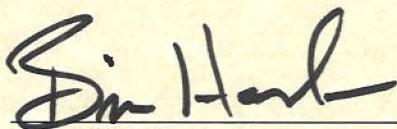
WHEREAS, Tennessee's constitution and statutory law authorize the governor to grant executive clemency, including the power to issue pardons; and

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

Mr. Sheard has no prior or subsequent offenses. He is a graduate of LeMoyne-Owen College and served for thirty years as an employee with the City of Memphis in supervisory roles and as a juvenile court probation officer. Mr. Sheard has also worked for a Fortune 500 company and for the local health department, in addition to mentoring youth in his community. Mr. Sheard submitted letters attesting to his character and standing in the community from coworkers, neighbors, and a former teacher and baseball coach. The Tennessee Board of Parole issued a unanimous, positive recommendation for granting a pardon in favor of Mr. Sheard.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, 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 Robert James Sheard, Jr., pardoning him for his 1984 conviction for misdemeanor assault and battery.

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 26th day of July, 2018.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE

