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## **Attorney Bryan Hoss Appointed Acting Red Bank City Judge During Judge Houston's Medical Leave**

**Red Bank, TN** - The City of Red Bank has appointed Attorney Bryan Hoss to serve as municipal judge during the medical leave of longtime City Judge Johnny Houston, who was first appointed in 2000 and has since been elected to three consecutive eight-year terms. Due to a medical issue, Judge Houston is currently unable to perform his judicial duties.

A rotation of area judges and city staff has recently stepped in to ensure the court's operations remain continuous. During the City Council meeting on Tuesday night, officials approved a more stable solution by passing an ordinance that authorizes temporary judicial appointments. Under this ordinance, each appointment is limited to 30 days, indicating that the City Council plans to make several successive appointments during Judge Houston's absence.

Red Bank City Attorney Arnold Stulce noted that state requirements mandate the appointee be a resident of Red Bank. Hoss lives in the city and is a well-thought-of attorney in criminal, city, county, and state courts. Stulce emphasized that Hoss's acceptance of the role reflects a strong commitment to public service.

A graduate of McCallie School, Hoss attended the University of Memphis for his law degree. He is a longtime Red Bank resident with deep community ties. He expressed gratitude for the opportunity to assist the city.

"Having known Judge Houston for nearly 25 years, I have a tremendous amount of respect and admiration for him, his law practice, this Court and his family," said Hoss. "I am grateful for this opportunity to help Red Bank during this time and like everyone in our legal community, we are hoping and praying for him."

Hoss is a widely respected attorney who brings over 20 years of experience in criminal defense, civil litigation, and appellate advocacy. He's worked on a variety of high-profile cases in state, federal, and appellate courts, and has helped clients achieve significant victories in many different situations. His commitment to his clients and passion for justice truly set him apart.

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