

# **NOTICE of ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and BOARD of DIRECTORS ELECTION**

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 4:00 pm** in the Emblem Credit Union Lobby located at 702 Walnut Street, Gadsden, Alabama 35901. All members are invited to attend. Election for vacant seats on the Board of Directors and Supervisory Committee will be held at that time. **The election will not be conducted by ballot at the meeting, and there will be no nominations from the floor.**

There are two positions open for election on the Board of Directors, and one position on the Supervisory Committee. The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors of Emblem Credit Union met on July 22, 2024, and nominated the following individuals for Board of Directors for a three-year term: Mr. Sonny Kirby and Dr. Martha Lavender. Nominated for a three-year term for the Supervisory Committee is Dr. Tommy Mosley.

Nominations for vacancies may also be made by petition signed by the lesser of 1% of the members or 500 members of Emblem Credit Union. Members age 18 or older may request a nomination packet, board of director qualifications, and instructions for completion by writing to Board of Director's Nominating Committee, c/o Emblem Credit Union, 702 Walnut Street, Gadsden Alabama 35901. Completed Petition for Nomination packets can be mailed to the same address. Packets must be received by **Friday, December 6, 2024**. There shall be no petitions by Proxy and all signatures are subject to proper validation.

At least thirty-five (35) days prior to the Annual Membership Meeting, the names of members recommended by the Nominating Committee, as well as names of any members qualifying by nomination by petition, will be posted in a conspicuous place in each Emblem Credit Union office.

## **Board of Directors Nominees**

### **Dr. Martha Lavender**

Dr. Lavender received her Associate Degree in Nursing from the former Gadsden State Junior College School of Nursing, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Jacksonville State University, and a Master of Science in Nursing and doctoral degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Dr. Lavender has served as President of the Association of Women's Health and of the Alabama Board of Nursing. Dr. Lavender has also held leadership roles for various community organizations including United Way of Etowah County, Northeast Alabama Community Foundation, and the James M. Barrie Center for Children. Most recently, Dr. Lavender retired as President of Gadsden State Community College.

### **Mr. Sonny Kirby**

Mr. Kirby received a degree in math education from Jacksonville State University and has worked in the education field for over 50 years, teaching at the high school level as well as Gadsden State Community College. While at Gadsden State, Mr. Kirby was involved with both the Alabama Education Association and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools committees. Mr. Kirby has served on the Emblem Credit Union Board of Directors for over 30 years. In his spare time, Mr. Kirby enjoys kayaking, camping, and participating in outdoor activities with his wife, Tinley. He is also an enthusiastic golfer and participates in various senior golf tournaments.

## **Supervisory Committee Nominee**

### **Dr. Tommy Mosley**

A Sardis resident, Dr. Mosley spent over twenty years in the Etowah County School System, culminating with the role of Superintendent of Etowah County Schools. Dr. Mosley also worked for the State Department of Education and as Associate Superintendent. He has served numerous community organizations in leadership capacities, including the Etowah County Schools Foundation and on several Emblem Credit Union Scholarship Committees.