## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Fran Laukaitis is retiring as president of Methodist 2 Charlton Medical Center in Dallas on January 5, 2024, following an 3 exemplary tenure spanning 14 years with the hospital; and WHEREAS, In 2010, Ms. Laukaitis joined Methodist Charlton as 4 5 chief nursing officer, and five years later, she became the first registered nurse and first woman appointed president of a Methodist 6 7 Health System facility; she has worked tirelessly to advance quality of care, and patient experience metrics have improved 8 9 dramatically, while the number of patients who leave the emergency department without being seen has been greatly reduced; moreover, 10 11 Methodist Charlton has excelled in Joint Commission surveys; and 12 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Ms. Laukaitis, the hospital opened its intermediate care unit and other new units; it also added 13 14 EP services and expanded many other service lines; she guided the growth of the STEMI program for fast heart attack care, and the 15 16 hospital achieved primary stroke accreditation; in addition, she oversaw the construction of the \$70 million, state-of-the-art 17 emergency department serving the southern sector of Dallas; along 18 the way, she has strengthened connections with local communities; 19 20 and 21 WHEREAS, Ms. Laukaitis is a Fellow in the American College of 22 Healthcare Executives; she holds both a bachelor's degree in 23 nursing and a master of health administration degree; early in her

career, she gained experience at hospitals in Pennsylvania, Ohio,

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- 1 Florida, and Texas; in 1999, she became chief nursing officer of a
- 2 Montana facility, and she rose to become its chief operating
- 3 officer; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Through her vision, skill, and commitment to
- 5 excellence, Fran Laukaitis has greatly advanced the important
- 6 mission of Methodist Charlton Medical Center, and as she embarks on
- 7 the next exciting chapter of her life, she may indeed take pride in
- 8 her outstanding achievements; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 10 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate Fran
- 11 Laukaitis on her retirement as president of Methodist Charlton
- 12 Medical Center and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future;
- 13 and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Ms. Laukaitis as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 93 was adopted by the House on December 5, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House