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H.R. No. 93

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4           WHEREAS, In 2010, Ms. Laukaitis joined Methodist Charlton as  
5 chief nursing officer, and five years later, she became the first  
6 registered nurse and first woman appointed president of a Methodist  
7 Health System facility; she has worked tirelessly to advance  
8 quality of care, and patient experience metrics have improved  
9 dramatically, while the number of patients who leave the emergency  
10 department without being seen has been greatly reduced; moreover,  
11 Methodist Charlton has excelled in Joint Commission surveys; and

12           WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Ms. Laukaitis, the hospital  
13 opened its intermediate care unit and other new units; it also added  
14 EP services and expanded many other service lines; she guided the  
15 growth of the STEMI program for fast heart attack care, and the  
16 hospital achieved primary stroke accreditation; in addition, she  
17 oversaw the construction of the \$70 million, state-of-the-art  
18 emergency department serving the southern sector of Dallas; along  
19 the way, she has strengthened connections with local communities;  
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  
24 career, she gained experience at hospitals in Pennsylvania, Ohio,

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.