SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 724

WHEREAS, For more than two decades, retired Sergeant First Class Lachrishua Jane Walton served her country with great distinction as a member of the United States Army, and the observance of Women Veterans Day 2023 provides a fitting opportunity to pay tribute to her outstanding military career; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Walton excelled in her responsibilities during her 21 years in the U.S. Army; answering the call to duty in a number of major military engagements, she was deployed to Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, as well as multiple peacekeeping missions; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of the Hiring Our Heroes program that connects members of the armed forces community with American businesses, Sergeant First Class Walton currently works as a health care navigator for Endeavors and a case manager for Supportive Services for Veteran Families; in these positions, she has assisted current and former members of the military in accessing vital care and resources, and she has played an active role in helping individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; she holds a bachelor's degree in social work and is pursuing a master's degree in the subject; and

WHEREAS, During her years in uniform, Lachrishua Walton upheld the highest ideals of our nation's armed forces, demonstrating exemplary bravery, dedication, and integrity, and her fellow citizens owe her a lasting debt of gratitude; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby commend Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Lachrishua Jane Walton for her military service on the occasion of Women Veterans Day 2023 and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

 $\tt RESOLVED$, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Sergeant First Class Walton as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 28, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate