

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 725

WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, retired Command Sergeant Major Dr. Evelyn Hollis served her country with great distinction as a member of the U.S. Army, and the observance of Women Veterans Day 2023 provides a fitting opportunity to pay tribute to her outstanding military career; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollis joined the U.S. Army in 1979 as an administrative assistant, and she went on to become the first African American woman in army history to serve as a command sergeant major for a combat arms unit; her overseas assignments included tours in Germany and operational deployments to Southwest Asia and Iraq; she has worked as a military analyst for the Air Defense Artillery School and as a senior technical trainer for the Command Post of the Future; currently, she teaches at Park University and serves as an honorary sergeant major with the 1st Air Defense Artillery Regiment; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed veteran has received numerous honors, including the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and various foreign and service awards, and she was inducted into the U.S. Army Women's Foundation Hall of Fame; she holds a master's degree in human resource development and management as well as a doctorate in management; and

WHEREAS, During her years in uniform, Evelyn Hollis 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 Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Dr. Evelyn Hollis 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

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Dr. Evelyn Hollis 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

Member, Texas Senate