

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 119

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Kay Sanders Walls, who has been selected as the 2003 recipient of the Wall of Fame Award by the Cleburne High School Ex-Students Association; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Cleburne High School Class of 1961, Kay Walls was selected for the award in tribute to her many years of dedicated service to the education of children and for her involvement in civic activities; and

WHEREAS, Her enduring interest in children's education was first reflected in the education degree she earned at Texas Christian University and her subsequent service as an elementary schoolteacher in Fort Worth and Cleburne; and

WHEREAS, The first female member of the Cleburne Independent School District Board of Trustees, Kay Walls distinguished herself as a leader during two periods of service, from 1978 to 1985 and from 1989 to 1998; during her 16-year tenure as a trustee, she was board president for four years; and

WHEREAS, Kay served as a member of the Texas Association of School Boards' Legislative Network Committee from 1978 to 1985, and she served one-year terms as secretary and as president of the Texas County Education District 21 between 1991 and 1993; and

WHEREAS, Kay's interests in the welfare of young Texans has been demonstrated by her work in a wide array of organizations; she was a founder and president of the Cleburne Attention Deficit Disorder Support Group and has served as a member of the All Church Home Board of Directors of the Children's Home of Fort Worth and the Family Action Council of Cleburne; and

WHEREAS, For her distinguished leadership and years of hard work on behalf of the young people of our state, Kay was presented with the Honorary Life Membership Award from the National Congress of Parents and Teachers in 2001, and she has received an Honorary Member Award from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society for Women Educators; and

WHEREAS, On September 19 and 20, 2003, she had the pleasure of presiding over Cleburne High School's Homecoming festivities and was recognized at a reception for her lifetime of dedication to the children and people of Cleburne; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Kay Sanders Walls for her exceptional achievements as an educational and community leader and extend congratulations to her on her selection for the 2003 Wall of Fame Award from the Cleburne High School Ex-Students Association; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem 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 October 10, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate