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H.R. No. 699

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, With the close of the 79th Legislature, the
2 Honorable Peggy Hamric is ending her service in the Texas House of
3 Representatives, having served her Harris County constituents, and
4 in fact all Texans, with integrity and distinction for 16 years; and

5 WHEREAS, A member of the house since 1991, Ms. Hamric made an
6 immediate impact during her debut in the 72nd Legislature, when she
7 earned recognition as Outstanding Freshman from the Young
8 Conservatives of Texas; and

9 WHEREAS, Her insight and intellect have continued to make a
10 mark throughout her tenure and led to appointments on a wide range
11 of important legislative committees; she has served on the House
12 Administration Committee since 1997, and in her appointment as its
13 chair during the 78th and 79th Legislatures, she earned the
14 distinction of being the first woman to fill that post; she has been
15 a member of the Transportation Committee since 1999, serving as its
16 chief budget officer for the last two sessions, and a member of the
17 Appropriations Committee since 2001; her remarkable abilities as a
18 problem solver have also resulted in appointments to the State
19 Preservation Board and the Special Committee on School Finance; and

20 WHEREAS, This highly respected legislator has garnered a long
21 list of honors during her service in the house, including the
22 Scholars Award for Excellence in Government from the North
23 Harris-Montgomery Community College District in 1993, the Friend of
24 Business Award from the Texas Chamber of Commerce in 1994, and the

1 Public Policy Award from the American Cancer Society in 1997; and

2 WHEREAS, A valued member of numerous organizations dedicated
3 to governmental issues, Representative Hamric has exchanged ideas
4 with other influential leaders in her membership with the National
5 Republican Legislators Association, the American Legislative
6 Exchange Council, the National Conference of State Legislators, the
7 National Organization of Women Legislators, the Texas Women's
8 Alliance, and the Texas Federation of Republican Women; and

9 WHEREAS, Peggy Hamric may have been all business when it came
10 to serving the needs of her constituents, but she also enjoyed
11 lighter moments at the State Capitol, such as the dual 29th birthday
12 celebrations she repeatedly shared with Representative Beverly
13 Woolley and her membership in the Legislative Chemical Council, a
14 single-issue focus group dedicated to outlawing gray hair on
15 elected officials; and

16 WHEREAS, Exhibiting inspired leadership, sound judgment, and
17 longstanding dedication, Peggy Hamric has made a profound impact on
18 the lives of Texas citizens, and her efforts to improve her state
19 will continue to be appreciated for years to come; now, therefore,
20 be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
22 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend the Honorable Peggy
23 Hamric for her notable service as a member of this chamber and
24 extend to her, her husband Burt, and their two children and two
25 grandchildren warmest best wishes for continued success and
26 happiness; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Representative Hamric as an expression of high regard
2 by her colleagues in the Texas House of Representatives.