

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 98

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Nancy B. Rapoport for her dedicated service as dean of the University of Houston Law Center; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary professional, Dean Rapoport served the University of Houston Law Center with unswerving dedication and integrity; she is widely respected for her knowledge of law, especially in the areas of bankruptcy ethics and law in popular culture; and

WHEREAS, She earned a bachelor's degree at Rice University and was awarded a Juris Doctor from Stanford Law School; and

WHEREAS, She clerked for the Honorable Joseph T. Sneed of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and practiced law at Morrison and Foerster in San Francisco before pursuing an academic career in law; and

WHEREAS, Initially an assistant professor at The Ohio State University College of Law, she was promoted to associate professor before being named a professor and the associate dean of student affairs in 1998; and

WHEREAS, She served as dean and professor of law of the University of Nebraska College of Law from 1998 to 2000 before accepting the position of dean at the University of Houston Law Center; she was admitted to the state bars of California, Ohio, Nebraska, and Texas and to the bar of the United States Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Among her published works is *Enron: Corporate Fiascoes and Their Implications*, which was coedited with Professor Bala G. Dharan of Rice University; and

WHEREAS, Dean Rapoport was elected to the membership of the American Law Institute in 2001 and received a Distinguished Alumni Award from Rice University in 2002; she is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation and of the American College of Bankruptcy; she truly deserves legislative recognition for her outstanding accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Nancy B. Rapoport for her invaluable service as dean of the University of Houston Law Center and extend to her best wishes in all her future endeavors; and, be it further

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 May 1, 2006.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate