

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 661

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. James W. Callicutt on the occasion of his retirement as professor of social work at The University of Texas at Arlington after 39 years of outstanding service; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Callicutt began his illustrious career in social work as a child welfare worker in his native state of Tennessee in 1953; he subsequently held various positions in the state before going to Massachusetts to work as a clinical social worker while completing his doctoral studies at Brandeis University; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Callicutt joined the faculty of the newly formed social work program at The University of Texas at Arlington in 1968 as assistant dean; he has performed pioneering work in the years since, building curricula, writing grants, representing the university, and serving as a mentor to countless students and other faculty members; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Callicutt established collaborative programs with numerous other universities throughout the state; his work enabled many of these schools to develop their own independent programs in social work; he has also been instrumental in making it possible for many nontraditional students to have access to social work programs, and their professional education has had a positive impact on the lives and careers of people across the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Callicutt has exemplified the spirit of social work, and over the years has earned many awards for his exceptional work; the Tarrant County unit of the National Association of Social Workers named him Social Worker of the Year in 1993 and conferred on him a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998, and he was recently inducted by the National Association of Social Workers as a Social Work Pioneer; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. James W. Callicutt for his invaluable contributions to the field of social work in Texas and to the School of Social Work at The University of Texas at Arlington and extend to him best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him 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 April 10, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate