

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 681

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is proud to recognize Dr. John W. Allen, who is retiring from a distinguished career in oral and maxillofacial surgery in which he has served as a clinician, an educator, and a mentor; and

WHEREAS, A native of Luling, Texas, Dr. Allen received his undergraduate education at Texas A&M University in the field of zoology; he attended Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas and was inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honorary Dental Society, the Baylor Odontological Honor Society, and the Psi Omega Dental Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, he completed a residency at Baylor University Medical Center and Baylor College of Dentistry; he received a certificate in oral and maxillofacial surgery with a master of science in dentistry degree from Baylor University in Waco; and

WHEREAS, Immediately following completion of his residency, Dr. Allen was invited to join the faculty at Baylor College of Dentistry and the medical staff at Baylor University Medical Center, where he has since trained countless dental students, interns, and residents; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding oral and maxillofacial surgeon, professor, and administrator, Dr. Allen became a fellow of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery; in 1982, he served as president of both the Texas Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the Southwest Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Allen was awarded the academic rank of professor with tenure at Baylor College of Dentistry; as an educator, he was honored as Teacher of the Year in 1970 and has been recognized as an Outstanding Professor by the Baylor Odontological Honor Society, an Outstanding Alumnus by Psi Omega Dental Fraternity, and Instructor of the Year; and

WHEREAS, A recognized expert in his field, Dr. Allen has lectured extensively to dental, medical, and nursing professional associations throughout the state; he is active in the affairs of Baylor University Medical Center, his primary hospital, and has served on numerous governing committees; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to his profession and to his community, Dr. Allen has dedicated his life to providing superior oral and maxillofacial surgery care for Dallas area residents and has been awarded fellowship in the American College of Dentists; and

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WHEREAS, An exemplary gentleman, and a man of many talents, Dr. Allen is greatly admired by his dental and medical colleagues in this state and across the country for his excellent work in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. John W. Allen for his exceptional accomplishments in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery and congratulate him on his retirement; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Dr. Allen 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 April 12, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate