SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1122

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. John Pickelman, who is retiring from his position as Chancellor of the North Harris Montgomery Community College District after 16 years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, With five comprehensive colleges, North Harris Montgomery Community College District is a public community college district that serves a population of more than one million residents; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as the chief executive officer for the fourth largest community college district in the state, Dr. Pickelman created an educational environment that encouraged creative innovation in the classroom and responsiveness to the academic needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, He has made significant contributions to higher education and to the Houston community through his leadership in many professional associations and community service organizations, including the Greater Houston Partnership, the Houston 2012 Olympic Committee, and The Woodlands Society for the Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, Before being named Chancellor of the North Harris Montgomery Community College District in 1991, Dr. Pickelman served eight years as the president of Galveston College and held administrative positions previously with the Dallas County Community College District, Brookhaven College, Texas Lutheran College, and William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, He earned a bachelor's degree in English from Albion College in Michigan, a master's degree in education from the University of Missouri at Kansas City, and a doctorate in educational administration from The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, He is president-elect of the executive committee of the Texas Association of Community Colleges and serves on the board of trustees for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and on the Commission on Leadership for the American Council on Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pickelman has been an exceptional leader in higher education in Texas and a tremendous asset to the Houston community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. John Pickelman for his commitment to the North Harris Montgomery Community College District and his many contributions to the community college system of this state and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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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 May 23, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate