RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Lannette Linthicum, director of Health Services
- 2 for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, has received the 2011
- 3 E. R. Cass Correctional Achievement Award from the American
- 4 Correctional Association; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Established in 1962, the E. R. Cass Award was named
- 6 in tribute to the former general secretary of the ACA, who dedicated
- 7 more than a half-century to corrections; the honor recognizes
- 8 individuals who have demonstrated the same degree of selfless
- 9 dedication to the association, the corrections field, and the
- 10 community and whose achievements follow in his tradition of
- 11 excellence, integrity, and innovative leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Linthicum supervises the medical care of 155,000
- 13 men and women in 112 facilities and is nationally recognized for
- 14 promoting person-centered, compassionate care; during her 13-year
- 15 tenure as director of health services, she has enhanced quality and
- 16 ethical standards by creating a health care ombudsman's office to
- 17 monitor and investigate inmate patient grievances, assist in
- 18 communicating with offenders' families and counsel, and track the
- 19 overall performance of facilities; and
- WHEREAS, Working to advance correctional health care on the
- 21 national level, Dr. Linthicum serves as senior editorial board
- 22 member for the ACA journal Correctional Health Today; she was a
- 23 founding member and charter co-chair of the association's Coalition
- 24 for Correctional Health Authorities and she has held leadership

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- 1 roles in a number of ACA committees, including the Standards and
- 2 Health Care Committees; moreover, she serves as chair of the ACA
- 3 Commission on Accreditation; and
- 4 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan is developing clinical practice
- 5 guidelines and standards for correctional physicians as a member of
- 6 the task force for the National Commission on Correctional Health
- 7 Care; she has authored several articles and a textbook chapter on
- 8 correctional medicine, and she served on the board of the Society of
- 9 Correctional Physicians from 2002-2006; she was named one of the
- 10 Best in the Business by Corrections Today in 2007, and she is a
- 11 fellow of the American College of Physicians and an Advanced
- 12 Certified Correctional Health Professional; and
- WHEREAS, A graduate of Smith College and the Maryland School
- 14 of Medicine, Dr. Linthicum joined the TDCJ as a National Health
- 15 Service Corps physician in 1986 and served as the unit health
- 16 authority in the Huntsville prison facility; she became Central
- 17 Region health authority two years later and subsequently opened the
- 18 Estelle Unit Central Region Medical Facility; in 1993, she became
- 19 chief of professional services in Health Services Administration,
- 20 taking on responsibility for the delivery of clinical health
- 21 services statewide, and she was promoted to director of Health
- 22 Services in January 1998; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout her distinguished career, Dr. Linthicum
- 24 has set high standards of innovation and professional
- 25 accountability, and she has devoted herself tirelessly to ensuring
- 26 that Texas inmates receive competent and caring medical treatment;
- 27 now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Lannette Linthicum on her
- 3 receipt of the 2011 E. R. Cass Correctional Achievement Award and
- 4 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
- 5 further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for Dr. Linthicum as an expression of high regard by the
- 8 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1769 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House