SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 932

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Lannette Linthicum, who has received the 2011 E. R. Cass Correctional Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award is presented by the American Correctional Association and is named in honor of Edward R. Cass, who dedicated more than 50 years of his life to improving correctional practices and advancing the goals of the association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Linthicum is the director for health services at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; she supervises the medical care of 155,000 men and women housed in 112 facilities across the state, and she is nationally recognized for the compassionate care she has provided to Texas inmates over the years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Linthicum began her career with the department in 1986 as the unit health authority for the Huntsville Prison Facility; in 1988, she opened the Estelle Unit Central Region Medical Facility, and she has held her current position as director for health services for the department for the last 13 years; she has shown a high degree of innovation and professional accountability, and she has worked to provide access to compassionate and skilled medical treatment for all offenders; and

whereas, Dr. Linthicum has strengthened quality and ethical standards through the creation of a health care ombudsman's office; she has further worked to advance correctional health care on a national scale by developing clinical practice guidelines and standards; and

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WHEREAS, She is truly deserving of recognition for her dedication and her many professional achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Dr. Lannette Linthicum on her commitment to improving correctional health care and extend to her congratulations on receiving the 2011 E. R. Cass Correctional Achievement Award from the American Correctional Association; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Whitmire

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 6, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate