

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 51

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Margie Peschel for her tireless efforts on behalf of cancer prevention and awareness; and

WHEREAS, For decades, this exemplary health care professional served as a pathologist, a champion of cancer research, and an unflagging supporter of the American Cancer Society, which celebrated its 100th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Peschel has been a pioneering figure in medicine since the days when she was one of only three women studying at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, at which time she was supporting herself as a nurse; and

WHEREAS, Early in her medical career, a young patient died of leukemia as there was no treatment available, and she determined that she would do whatever she could to help prevent and treat cancer; and

WHEREAS, She began volunteering with the American Cancer Society in the 1960s, and she served as president of the Tarrant County branch of the organization; she found time for her volunteer work in addition to the demands of her longtime career, which included serving as the medical director of the Carter Blood Center and as a pathologist at Saint Joseph's Hospital and John Peter Smith Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Peschel also spent years moonlighting in emergency rooms, served as chair of the Allied Health Advisory Council for Tarrant County College, and helped to set up the first training course for emergency medical technicians in Tarrant County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Dr. Margie Peschel for her lifelong commitment to the medical profession and to supporting the cause of cancer prevention; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Dr. Peschel 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 June 12, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate