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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Kenneth I. Shine is retiring as executive vice
2 chancellor for health affairs for The University of Texas System,
3 providing a fitting opportunity to honor him for his outstanding
4 service to the state; and

5 WHEREAS, A widely recognized expert in health care reform,
6 Dr. Shine earned his M.D. from Harvard Medical School in 1961 and
7 went on to specialize in cardiology and physiology; and

8 WHEREAS, He served as the dean and provost for medical
9 sciences at UCLA, where he remains professor of medicine emeritus,
10 and in 1992 he became president of the Institute of Medicine; during
11 10 years in that post, Dr. Shine oversaw a myriad of projects
12 addressing key issues in medicine and health care, and he worked to
13 ensure that scientific findings were thoroughly disseminated; he
14 was subsequently named founding director of the RAND Center for
15 Domestic and International Health Security and led its efforts to
16 make health a priority of U.S. foreign policy; and

17 WHEREAS, In November 2003, this dynamic health care
18 professional joined the UT System, and he has since overseen the
19 management of six UT health institutions with a combined total
20 operating budget of nearly \$8.4 billion; he has directed a number of
21 important initiatives, including the Transformation in Medical
22 Education program and efforts to establish a new medical school in
23 Austin, and he was instrumental in six presidential searches;
24 moreover, he took on additional responsibilities in 2008 and 2009

1 as interim chancellor for 10 months; throughout his tenure, he has
2 been guided by a deep commitment to making health care more
3 affordable and accessible for all Texans; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Shine further contributes to his profession as a
5 fellow of the American College of Cardiology and as a master of the
6 American College of Physicians; elected to the Institute of
7 Medicine in 1988, he is a former chair of the Council of Deans of the
8 Association of American Medical Colleges, and he served a term as
9 president of the American Heart Association; and

10 WHEREAS, Ken Shine has served the UT community and the health
11 care field with remarkable innovation and leadership, and his
12 accomplishments have benefited citizens across the Lone Star State;
13 now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
15 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Kenneth Shine on his retirement
16 from The University of Texas System and extend to him sincere best
17 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for Dr. Shine as an expression of high regard by the Texas
20 House of Representatives.