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S.C.R. No. 3

1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas' first female United
3 States senator and a former state treasurer of Texas and former
4 member of the Texas House of Representatives, recently retired from
5 office after more than four decades of outstanding public service;
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7 WHEREAS, As ranking member of the Senate Appropriations
8 Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and
9 Related Agencies and as a member of the Senate Committee on
10 Veterans' Affairs, Senator Hutchison dedicated herself to the
11 improvement of veterans' health and was a staunch advocate for
12 increased funding for veterans' medical services; and

13 WHEREAS, Senator Hutchison was instrumental in creating a
14 partnership between the United States Department of Veterans
15 Affairs and The University of Texas System to improve veterans'
16 access to medical care in South Texas; and

17 WHEREAS, The Harlingen Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic,
18 located on The University of Texas Health Science Center's
19 Harlingen campus, opened in 2011 to provide primary medical care
20 services for veterans in the Harlingen area, to make laboratory,
21 mental health, nutrition, and social work services available to
22 eligible veterans, and to provide education and training for
23 medical residents and students based at the Regional Academic
24 Health Center in Harlingen; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
2 hereby respectfully urge the United States Congress to rename the
3 Harlingen Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic as the Kay Bailey
4 Hutchison Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic at Harlingen as a
5 tribute to her commitment to public service and her many
6 contributions to the improvement of veterans' care in the State of
7 Texas; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
9 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
10 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
11 senate of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the
12 Texas delegation to the congress with the request that this
13 resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record as a
14 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.