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H.R. No. 2726

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Lisa Birkman will be stepping down as Williamson
2 County commissioner for Precinct 1 at the end of her current term in
3 2017, and this announcement provides a fitting opportunity to honor
4 her; and

5 WHEREAS, A sixth-generation Texan and the daughter of a U.S.
6 Army colonel, Ms. Birkman was born at Fort Hood in 1960; after
7 graduating from Georgetown High School in 1978, she earned her
8 bachelor's degree at Texas A&M University; she was a school teacher
9 for 13 years in Austin and Round Rock, and she was named teacher of
10 the year at T. A. Brown Elementary School in Austin in 1991 and
11 mentor of the year at Berkman Elementary School in Round Rock in
12 2008; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Birkman began her public service in 2000 when
14 she was elected to the board of directors of the Brushy Creek
15 Municipal Utility District, and while on the board, she worked with
16 the legislature to enact "truth in taxation" laws; in 2004, she was
17 elected to the Williamson County Commissioners Court, becoming the
18 first woman ever to hold a seat on that commissioners court; and

19 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan is a member of the Georgetown and
20 Round Rock chambers of commerce and the local chapter of People
21 Against Violent Crime, and she serves on the board of the Texas
22 Agriculture Financing Authority; she is also active with the
23 Williamson County Mental Health Task Force and the Capital Area
24 Rural Transportation System; since 2004, she has served as

1 president of the board of the Williamson County Conservation
2 Foundation; and

3 WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, Ms. Birkman enjoys the love
4 and support of her husband, Rick Birkman, and her four children,
5 Virginia, Randy, Elizabeth, and Ricki; she is a leader at
6 St. Philips United Methodist Church, where she is also a youth
7 sponsor; and

8 WHEREAS, Commissioner Birkman has contributed greatly to her
9 community, and as she enters into the last term on the commissioners
10 court, she may indeed reflect with pride on the knowledge that she
11 is making invaluable contributions in behalf of her fellow
12 citizens; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
14 Legislature hereby commend Lisa Birkman on her impressive record of
15 public service and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
16 success and happiness; and, be it further

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