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H.R. No. 2113

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sharon Pierce is retiring as state advisor of the
2 Texas Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of
3 America on June 1, 2017, following 36 years of exemplary service in
4 that role; and

5 WHEREAS, One of only three individuals to have held the
6 position of state advisor since the establishment of Texas FCCLA in
7 1945, Ms. Pierce has helped guide the organization for fully half
8 of its history; during that time, Texas FCCLA has undergone a
9 transition from a traditional home economics model to a program
10 focused on family and consumer sciences education; along the way,
11 she has worked tirelessly to help keep the organization relevant to
12 current workplace and student needs by forming industry advisory
13 groups to ensure that the association's career and leadership
14 development initiatives, which are an integral part of its
15 instructional program, remain on the cutting edge; and

16 WHEREAS, Among other highlights of Ms. Pierce's notable
17 tenure, she helped launch a scholarship initiative for Texas FCCLA
18 members that now awards \$1.9 million each year to graduating
19 seniors; she has also played an active role in the organization on
20 the national level, having served as a member of the FCCLA National
21 Board of Directors on three occasions as well as an advisor to 27
22 national FCCLA officers; her relentless pursuit of excellence in
23 all her endeavors has resulted in her being named the National State
24 Adviser of the Year, in addition to being honored as a recipient of

1 the National FCCLA Distinguished Service Award; and

2 WHEREAS, Through her passion for the work of the FCCLA and her
3 visionary leadership during a transformative period in the
4 organization's history, Sharon Pierce has made a lasting and
5 positive difference in the lives of countless young Texans, and her
6 contributions will be remembered and appreciated for years to come;
7 now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Sharon Pierce on her retirement as
10 state advisor of the Texas Association of Family, Career and
11 Community Leaders of America and extend to her sincere best wishes
12 for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Ms. Pierce as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.