

By: White

H.R. No. 2423

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Janis Reinken of Austin has greatly benefited her  
2 fellow Texans during the 85th Legislative Session through her  
3 dedicated service as chief clerk and general counsel of the House  
4 Corrections Committee; and

5           WHEREAS, Known for her exceptional diligence, efficiency,  
6 and expertise in the intricacies of the legislative process,  
7 Ms. Reinken has worked in state government since 2006; she served  
8 as chief of staff and general counsel for former state  
9 representative Ruth Jones McClendon during five previous  
10 legislative sessions, and in that capacity, she was involved with  
11 numerous bills related to mental health, criminal justice, and  
12 other important issues; and

13           WHEREAS, Ms. Reinken holds a bachelor's degree in political  
14 science from Texas Tech University and a law degree from The  
15 University of Texas at Austin; she began her career in Abilene,  
16 where she was a municipal prosecutor and then a solo practitioner  
17 and counsel for a refining company; and

18           WHEREAS, After settling in the Capital City, Ms. Reinken  
19 served as deputy general counsel for the Texas Savings & Loan  
20 Department and as chief of claims reimbursement for the Texas  
21 Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; she was later  
22 employed for 14 years by a professional liability insurer, managing  
23 claims of legal malpractice and presenting seminars and workshops  
24 on legal ethics; and

1           WHEREAS, An admired attorney and respected public servant,  
2 Janis Reinken has demonstrated exceptional dedication to the  
3 mission of the House Corrections Committee, and her outstanding  
4 contributions have earned the lasting appreciation of her  
5 colleagues; now, therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby commend Janis Reinken for her service as chief  
8 clerk and general counsel of the House Corrections Committee and  
9 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
10 further

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