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H.R. No. 1432

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, James Patrick Murray is retiring as president and  
2 CEO of Peterson Health in Kerrville on April 23, 2019, drawing to a  
3 close a notable career in health care administration that has  
4 spanned more than four decades; and

5           WHEREAS, Pat Murray earned a bachelor's degree from The  
6 University of Texas at Austin in 1975 and a master's degree from  
7 Trinity University in 1978; he began his career working for  
8 hospitals in Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Alabama before  
9 joining Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital as an assistant  
10 administrator in 1995; and

11           WHEREAS, Since 1999, Mr. Murray has served as president and  
12 CEO of Peterson Health, and under his leadership, the institution  
13 has initiated a medical air transport service and established an  
14 ambulatory care center, a women's health center, an acute  
15 rehabilitation unit, a clinic in Boerne, and a community care  
16 clinic; moreover, in 2008, the 124-bed, 35-acre Peterson Regional  
17 Medical Center was opened; Mr. Murray also played an instrumental  
18 role in the expansion of Peterson Health's coverage to include  
19 Kerr, Kimble, Bandera, and Real Counties, with secondary coverage  
20 in Gillespie and Kendall Counties; and

21           WHEREAS, Thanks to his efforts, PRMC has been rated a top 20  
22 Rural Community Hospital by the National Rural Health Association,  
23 and Peterson Health has earned the Legacy Award from the Kerrville  
24 Area Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Murray himself has been named Bill

1 Dozier Citizen of the Year by the *Kerrville Daily Times*, and he has  
2 earned the Health Care Leadership Award from the Kerrville Area  
3 Chamber of Commerce and the Pioneer Award from the Texas Hospital  
4 Association; and

5 WHEREAS, Despite his busy professional life, Mr. Murray has  
6 found time to give back to his community as president of the Rotary  
7 Club and the Kerr County United Way board and as chair of the  
8 Kerrville Economic Development Foundation board, the Kerrville  
9 Public Utility Board, and the Texas Hospital Association board; he  
10 is an elder of First Presbyterian Church; and

11 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Murray enjoys the love and  
12 support of his wife, Elizabeth, with whom he has shared 44 years, as  
13 well as that of his three daughters and five grandchildren; and

14 WHEREAS, Pat Murray's dedication, professionalism, and  
15 commitment to excellence have greatly benefited the residents of  
16 Kerr County, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well  
17 spent as he embarks upon the next exciting chapter of his life; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby congratulate James Patrick Murray on his  
21 retirement from Peterson Health and extend to him sincere best  
22 wishes for the future; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for Mr. Murray as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
25 House of Representatives.