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H.R. No. 1345

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Carol Paret celebrated her 40th anniversary with
2 Memorial Hermann Health System on May 11, 2021, and this occasion
3 offers a welcome opportunity to pay tribute to her outstanding
4 record of service to the largest not-for-profit health system in
5 Southeast Texas; and

6 WHEREAS, A native of Silsbee, Ms. Paret holds degrees from
7 the University of Houston and The University of Texas School of
8 Public Health; since joining MHHS, she has held a series of
9 increasingly important roles within the organization, including
10 leadership positions in the divisions of Facilities and Community
11 Planning, Business Development, Continuing Medical Education,
12 Physician Residency and Credentialing, Clinical Effectiveness,
13 Privacy and Security, and Medical Records and Coding; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Paret currently serves as MHHS senior vice
15 president, chief community health officer, and CEO of the system's
16 Community Benefit Corporation, and she has worked tirelessly to
17 ensure that the underserved and uninsured have access to essential
18 health benefits; those efforts include finding ways to address the
19 social determinants of health and facilitating collaborations
20 between health care providers, government, business, and community
21 stakeholders, all in order to secure access to health care for the
22 most vulnerable within the Greater Houston community; in 1995, she
23 oversaw the launch of the Memorial Hermann Health Centers for
24 Schools program, which has established freestanding and mobile

1 medical and dental clinics for nearly two million underserved
2 public school children across five school districts; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to her work for MHHS, Ms. Paret has
4 served on the boards of several noteworthy organizations, including
5 El Centro de Corazón, Gateway to Care, and the Texas Health
6 Institute, which honored her with the prestigious Fratis L. Duff
7 Award in 2015; and

8 WHEREAS, Today, the employees and affiliated physicians of
9 Memorial Hermann Health System serve millions of patients
10 through 17 hospitals and more than 300 care delivery sites, and
11 over the course of the past four decades, Carol Paret has played a
12 vital role in the system's success through her visionary leadership
13 and transformative approach to health care delivery; now,
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
16 Legislature hereby commend Carol Paret on her four decades of
17 service to the Memorial Hermann Health System and extend to her
18 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Ms. Paret as an expression of high regard by the Texas
21 House of Representatives.