

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 492

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. John H. Krouse, who will be stepping down on June 28, 2021, as dean of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine and as the university's executive vice president for Health Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Krouse joined the university in 2017 after having served with distinction in a variety of positions at Temple University in Philadelphia; a graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University, he earned his medical degree from Harvard Medical School and practiced both surgical and medical treatment as an otolaryngologist; and

WHEREAS, Under Dr. Krouse's outstanding leadership, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine has experienced tremendous growth; during his tenure, the number of students in the school's medical class has surpassed 200, and the school has increased the number of residency and fellowship programs from nine to 17; and

WHEREAS, He has greatly increased patients' access to critical health care services across the Rio Grande Valley by dramatically increasing the number of the medical school's clinical practice sites; under his leadership, the university has played a vital role in the region's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the school was the first health care agency to implement a testing program and to offer the COVID-19 vaccine in the Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, A highly regarded physician and administrator, Dr. Krouse is respected and admired by his colleagues and the university's students, and his leadership as dean of the School of Medicine and executive vice president for Health Affairs at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. John H. Krouse on his invaluable service to The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate