

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 55

WHEREAS, Attorneys with the Travis County Probate Court have rendered exceptional service to their fellow citizens through their pro bono work in behalf of The Arc of the Capital Area of Austin; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1949, The Arc of the Capital Area serves Central Texans with intellectual and developmental disabilities through compassionate case management and a wide range of initiatives; with assistance from the Travis County Probate Court and local lawyers, the nonprofit provides training and education as part of its Guardianship and Alternatives Program, which offers support to individuals and families; participating in a series of workshops led by legal experts, prospective guardians learn how to protect the rights of people while helping them make decisions in such critical areas as finance and medical care; and

WHEREAS, For the 20th year, Travis County probate lawyers took part in the annual Arc of the Capital Area project by helping to create guardianships for members of indigent families; the list of participating attorneys included Michael Knisely, Don Walden, Victoria Seybold, John Crane, Eryn Lyle, Hailey Hanners, Jason Scott, Mike Jones, Tyler Hannusch, Mitchell Crane, Clint Alexander, Julia Jonas, Rose Cohen, Leigh Banaszak, Blake Tollett, Maite Elorduy, Melissa Harvey, Glenn Karisch, Carlotta Garza-Kilcullen, and Brian Thompson; in addition, Caleb Alford, the director of community services, and other Arc employees lent their support to the program; and

WHEREAS, The Travis County Probate Court is helping to equip individuals with the tools they need to improve their lives and build a brighter future for themselves and their families, and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing the participating attorneys for volunteering their time and expertise to this worthy program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend members of the Travis County Probate Court for their pro bono efforts in behalf of The Arc of the Capital Area and extend to these attorneys sincere best wishes for continued success with their important work.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on November 30, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate