

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 82

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution expressing gratitude to Senator Susan
8 Paddock for her service in the Oklahoma State Senate;
and directing distribution.

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11 WHEREAS, Senator Susan Paddock is completing her twelfth year of
12 service to the citizens of District 13 in the Oklahoma State Senate;
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14 WHEREAS, Susan Paddock received a Bachelor of Science in
15 Education from the University of Colorado and a Master of Education
16 Degree in Secondary Education from East Central University. She
17 earned a Certificate of Excellence in Nonprofit Leadership and
18 Management from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

19 WHEREAS, Prior to her election to the Senate, she was employed
20 as a classroom Science teacher for middle and junior high schools in
21 Texas, Colorado, and Oklahoma. She was also employed for nine years
22 with the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence. In addition, she
23 invested a great deal of her efforts serving in various capacities
24 in local, state, and national volunteer organizations; and

1 WHEREAS, Susan Paddack was a member of the first post-term-
2 limits class of 2004 and has been a member of the Oklahoma State
3 Senate since that time, serving first in the majority, then in the
4 evenly-divided Senate and eventually in the minority. Senator
5 Paddack serves as Co-chair for the Democratic Caucus and is a member
6 on numerous other Senate committees. She has previously served as
7 Chair of the Education Committee; and

8 WHEREAS, State Question 632, adopted September 18, 1990, and
9 effective January 1, 1991, limits the length of service for a member
10 of the Legislature to a total of twelve years and as a result,
11 Senator Paddack will not be eligible to stand for reelection this
12 year; and

13 WHEREAS, Susan Paddack will most be remembered as a person of
14 strength and compassion. These characteristics are reflected in her
15 relentless pursuit of public service, whether as a volunteer, a
16 classroom teacher or a Senator. Her attention to detail and demand
17 for top effort from any individual involved was evident in the
18 landmark legislation she authored for expanding prescription
19 assistance and authorizing additional student health screenings. It
20 was the passion for education and health care that fueled her
21 strength to champion the policy for those that may be most
22 vulnerable.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
24 OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

1 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of the citizens of
2 Senate District 13 and all citizens of this state, expresses its
3 gratitude to Senator Susan Paddack for her service in the Oklahoma
4 State Senate.

5 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Susan
6 Paddack.

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