Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 82

By: Bingman, Schulz, Allen, Anderson, Barrington, Bass, Bice, Boggs, Brecheen, Brooks, Brown, Crain, Dahm, David, Dossett, Fields, Floyd, Ford, Fry, Garrison, Griffin, Halligan, Holt, Jech, Jolley, Justice, Loveless, Marlatt, Matthews, Mazzei, Newberry, Pittman, Quinn, Sharp, Shaw, Shortey, Silk, Simpson, Smalley, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Thompson, Treat, Wyrick and Yen

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

WHEREAS, Senator Susan Paddack is completing her twelfth year of service to the citizens of District 13 in the Oklahoma State Senate; and

WHEREAS, Susan Paddack received a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Colorado and a Master of Education Degree in Secondary Education from East Central University. She earned a Certificate of Excellence in Nonprofit Leadership and Management from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

WHEREAS, Prior to her election to the Senate, she was employed as a classroom Science teacher for middle and junior high schools in

Texas, Colorado, and Oklahoma. She was also employed for nine years with the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence. In addition, she invested a great deal of her efforts serving in various capacities in local, state, and national volunteer organizations; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

Adopted by the Senate the 26th day of May, 2016.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 26th day of May, 2016, at 5:07 o'clock P. M.

By: Chris Berge