

HOUSE RESOLUTION 182

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A RESOLUTION to honor Dr. Paula Hinson on receiving the 2020 Outstanding Alumna Award.

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives take great pleasure in recognizing those outstanding professionals in the medical field who have devoted their careers to advancing their professions and ensuring the highest-quality patient care; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paula Hinson is one such distinguished professional, who was honored with the 2020 Outstanding Alumna Award by her alma mater, the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC), an honor most befitting her notable career in the profession of pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, the Outstanding Alumnus Award is the UTHSC College of Pharmacy Alumni Association's highest honor given to a graduate of the college in recognition of service to the college and community, leadership in local, state, or national health or non-health related organization, and teaching or research; and

WHEREAS, Paula Hinson's remarkable career in pharmacy services stretches back to 1970 when, as a high school sophomore in Sullivan Gardens, she cleaned shelves and operated a soda fountain in the local pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, her love of pharmacy was encouraged by pharmacist mentors in the Kingsport area, her Class of 1978 pharmacist peers, and her husband, Jerry Hinson; and

WHEREAS, focusing primarily in institutional pharmacy, Dr. Hinson has worked in all of the three primary areas of East, Middle, and West Tennessee during her career; and

WHEREAS, for the past twenty-one years, she has worked at Baptist Memorial hospitals in Memphis and Desoto, while also being actively involved with multiple pharmacy committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paula Hinson has given back to her profession by serving in a host of leadership positions throughout her illustrious career; since 1983, she has served in MAPS roles and as a member of the Tennessee Pharmacist Association and the Tennessee Society of Health System Pharmacists; and

WHEREAS, ever committed to effecting change that benefits professionals and patients alike, she has also served as president of the UTHSC College of Pharmacy Alumni Board; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hinson was a member of the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy from 1996 to 2002, in which capacity she fully accepted the challenge to serve Tennessee citizens ahead of her role as a pharmacist advocate; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Paula Hinson is most grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, who still monitors pharmacy issues in his post-VA retirement, and she is a proud mother and grandmother who is pleased to say that all of the Hinson family members have attended at least one pharmacy meeting; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paula Hinson's professional legacy will doubtless be one of steadfast and honorable service to the citizens of this State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and congratulate Dr. Paula Hinson on her receipt of the 2020 Outstanding Alumna Award from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Pharmacy Alumni Association and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.