

SENATE RESOLUTION

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By Senators Frockt, Saldaña, Kuderer, Liias, Hasegawa, Keiser, McCoy, Wellman, and Conway

1 WHEREAS, Every year, Crisis Clinic provides critical crisis
2 intervention, information, and referrals to community services for
3 thousands of youths and adults in Seattle, King County, and across
4 the State of Washington; and

5 WHEREAS, Crisis Clinic provides the vital first contact point for
6 Washingtonians struggling with emotional distress or in urgent need
7 of assistance in accessing community services; and

8 WHEREAS, Under the guidance of Kathleen Southwick, its executive
9 director for the past 19 years, Crisis Clinic has steadily grown and
10 expanded its reach to help more and more Washingtonians through times
11 of personal crisis; and

12 WHEREAS, Kathleen Southwick led Crisis Clinic's program
13 expansion, which included the development of King County 2-1-1 and
14 its many specialty services, the Washington Recovery Help Line, and
15 the In-patient Authorization service; and

16 WHEREAS, Kathleen Southwick was a founding member of the
17 Washington Information Network 211, which brought 2-1-1 to Washington
18 State; and

19 WHEREAS, Kathleen Southwick has served on the Seattle-King County
20 Public Health Department's Vulnerable Populations Committee, the
21 Committee to End Homelessness Interagency Council, and the U.S. 211
22 Public Policy Committee; and

1 WHEREAS, Kathleen Southwick has been instrumental in developing
2 innovative health and social service programs in King County to help
3 people in need across our state;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate
5 pause to honor Kathleen Southwick for her 19 years of service to the
6 people of our state, and recognize her considerable efforts helping
7 Washingtonians navigate life-challenging crises as Crisis Clinic's
8 executive director; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
10 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Crisis
11 Clinic and to Governor Jay Inslee.

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