

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1859

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Dr. Robert Moser.

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Moser of Tribune has been named the 2006 Family Physician of the Year by the Kansas Academy of Family Physicians; and

WHEREAS, The career of Dr. Robert Moser, a native of Tribune who returned home to practice small town medicine, exemplifies what one person, with community support, can do to provide quality medical care to western Kansas residents. The end result of his efforts, plus those of community leaders and the general public, is the Greeley County Health Care Services, which provides health care services to Greeley and Wallace Counties, as well as a large area of Western Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The county seats of these counties, Tribune and Sharon Springs, each consisting of some 800 plus residents, had local home town physicians who after completing careers of 30 plus years retired leaving Dr. Moser as the only doctor in the area. Dr. Moser expanded his practice from Tribune to include seeing patients in Sharon Springs. He became the County Coroner, the director of the local long-term care facility and supervised the County Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, With public support, a second doctor was recruited, then a physician's assistant and an ARNP, then another doctor and physician's assistant. Later a healthcare foundation was established and medical clinics were constructed. Today Greeley County Health Services has an 18 bed hospital, a 4 bed level-one nursery with OB services, hospital-based clinics in Tribune and Sharon Springs, a 32 bed nursing home, full-time physical therapy and local home health services; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moser has served as President of the Kansas Academy of Family Physicians, President of the Midwest Clinician's Network, and as a leader in the Foundation for Healthcare Access. He is a volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor with the Department of Family and Community Medicine, University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita and has testified before the United States Senate subcommittee on Public Health regarding the importance of the National Health Service Corps. He has been awarded the National Health Service Corps Program Director's Award, the National Health Service Corps Award for Excellence and HRSA's Primary Health Care Administrator's Award: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Dr. Moser upon being named the Kansas Family Physician of the Year which recognizes his dedication to his profession and to his outstanding record of providing sorely needed health care for rural Kansans.

Senate Resolution No. 1859 was sponsored by Senator Ralph Ostmeyer.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*