

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1793

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending The Honorable Christel E. Marquardt, Kansas Court of Appeals Judge, for her retirement and many years of service to the legal profession.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Christel E. Marquardt was appointed in 1995 by Governor Bill Graves to the Kansas Court of Appeals, where she remained until her retirement in January 2013; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt was born in Chicago, Illinois. She attended Concordia Teachers University in River Forest, Illinois and received her bachelor of science degree from Missouri Western State College in St. Joseph, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt graduated with honors from Washburn University School of Law in 1974, where she served as a managing editor of the Washburn Law Journal; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt began her legal career with the firm of Cosgrove, Webb & Oman. In 1986, Judge Marquardt joined the firm of Palmer, Marquardt & Snyder and remained there until she joined the firm of Levy & Craig in 1991; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, Judge Marquardt and her son Andrew formed Marquardt & Associates, L.L.C. in Fairway, Kansas, where she practiced law until her appointment to the Kansas Court of Appeals in 1995; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, the Kansas Bar Association awarded Judge Marquardt the Phil Lewis Medal of Distinction, the highest award given by the association. Judge Marquardt has also received the Jennie Mitchell Kellogg Circle's Attorney of Achievement Award for professional excellence and commitment to service; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt received the Distinguished Service Award from Washburn University School of Law in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt has been a lecturer on legal issues for the American Bar Association, Kansas Bar Association, Kansas Trial Lawyers, Kansas Municipal Attorneys, Kentucky Bar, Louisiana Bar, Washburn University, Missouri Western University, Kansas Women Attorneys, The Menninger Foundation and a variety of civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt served as the first woman president of the Kansas Bar Association beginning in 1987. She has served on many committees of the American Bar Association, has been a member of its Board of Governors, has served in its House of Delegates since 1988, was State Delegate from 1995 to 1999 and is currently serving as a State Delegate; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt is a past chair of the Washburn University Board of Regents and a past chair of the Washburn University School of Law Board of Governors; and

WHEREAS, Judge Marquardt currently serves on an advisory panel charged by the United States Secretary of Defense to study sexual assault in the military: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Judge Marquardt for her retirement from the Kansas Court of Appeals. We thank her for her many years of service to the legal profession and civic organizations in Kansas; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send 12 enrolled copies of this resolution to the Honorable Christel E. Marquardt.

Senate Resolution No. 1793 was sponsored by Senator Vicki Schmidt.

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.*