

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6047

A RESOLUTION commending Barb Hinton for her outstanding work as Legislative Post Auditor for the State of Kansas and congratulating her on her future endeavors.

WHEREAS, Barb Hinton began her career in the Legislative Division of Post Audit in 1977 as an editor, working her way up as an audit supervisor, audit manager and Deputy Post Auditor, until 1991, when she was named Legislative Post Auditor by the Legislative Post Audit Committee. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Master of Science degree in Journalism from the University of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure as Legislative Post Auditor, Barb has received numerous awards for her outstanding performance and leadership, including the David M. Walker Excellence in Government Performance and Accountability Award, presented by the National Intergovernmental Audit Forum. She also received the William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Award, presented by the National State Auditors Association and the Mike Harder Public Administrator of the Year Award, presented by the Kansas chapter of the American Society for Public Administration. Her division has also received awards, including twice winning the Excellence in Evaluation Award from the National Legislative Program Evaluation Society, and winning numerous National Legislative Program Evaluation Society's Certificate of Recognition of Impact Awards; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her duties as Legislative Post Auditor, Barb's record of service to professional organizations has done much to advance the field of auditing. She is Chair of the Mid-America Intergovernmental Audit Forum and serves as an Executive Committee Member for the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers. In the past she has served as President of the National State Auditors Association, as an Executive Committee Member for the National Legislative Program Evaluation Society and as a member of the GAO's Governmental Auditing Standards Advisory Council. She has also worked as a professional consultant, peer reviewer or concurring reviewer for a number of states; and

WHEREAS, Barb's leadership has helped the State of Kansas make the most of its limited resources. She has implemented advanced and sophisticated techniques in her analysis of programs or operations that have saved millions of dollars for the state. By identifying areas where state programs could operate more efficiently and more effectively, and by boiling complex issues down to focused and concise reports, Barb's Legislative Post Audit Division has proven to be an essential component to the government of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Barb has always been known for her integrity, dedication, professionalism and the streamlined organization of her division. She is well-respected by both fellow agency heads in Kansas and her audit peers in other states. She is well-loved by her co-workers and will be missed as she leaves in June, to begin her new position as Deputy Director for Performance Audits for the Washington State Auditor's Office: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:* That we commend Barb Hinton for her outstanding performance as Legislative Post Auditor and congratulate her as she enters the next phase in her career. We extend our best wishes for her continued success and happiness in the future.

House Resolution No. 6047 was sponsored by Representatives John Grange, Tom Burroughs, Ann Mah, Peggy Mast, Virgil Peck, Jr..

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

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*