

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 49th Legislature (2004)

SENATE
RESOLUTION 64

By: Hobson

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution expressing gratitude to Senator Penny Williams for her service in the Oklahoma State Senate; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Penny Williams is completing her sixteenth year of service to the citizens of District 33 in the Oklahoma State Senate; and

WHEREAS, Penny Williams was born in New York, New York, on May 6, 1937, to Peter and Polly (Potter) Baldwin. She is the mother of Joseph Hill Jr., Peter Baldwin, and James Chesnut. She attended Sarah Lawrence College, the University of Teheran and the University of Tulsa, and has served as a board member of various civic, educational, and philanthropic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Penny Williams has served in the Oklahoma State Senate since 1989, having previously served in the House of Representatives, and currently serves as chair of the Committee on Education. Her efforts have been instrumental in creating the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics, providing public higher educational opportunities, particularly for those in the Tulsa area, and improving public elementary and secondary education for the benefit of all Oklahomans; and

WHEREAS, State Question 632, adopted September 18, 1990, and effective January 1, 1991, limits the length of service for members of the Legislature to a total of twelve years and as a result

thereof, Senator Penny Williams will not be eligible to stand for reelection this year; and

WHEREAS, the Senate will not soon see the likes of Penny Williams again, and we will miss her for so many qualities, but perhaps most for her formidable charm, passion, energy, and dedication, along with her singular style, which she has always used to her utmost advantage to cajole, persuade, and coax this Legislature to focus on her priorities: children, education, the arts, and historical preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of the citizens of Senate District 33 and all citizens of this state, expresses its gratitude to Senator Penny Williams for her service in the Oklahoma State Senate.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Penny Williams.

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