

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 12

By: Johnson (Constance)

A Resolution congratulating former Senator Angela Monson upon her election as Chair of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education; wishing her a long and successful tenure; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Angela Monson was born on July 31, 1955, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the daughter of Herman and Epron (Provo) Monson. Both of her parents graduated from Frederick A. Douglass High School in Oklahoma City; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson attended Oklahoma City Public Schools, from kindergarten through the 12th grade, and, continuing her family's legacy, graduated from Douglass High School in 1973. She graduated from Oklahoma City University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Corrections and attended the University of Oklahoma where she earned a Master of Public Administration degree; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson worked for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections as a probation and parole officer, then became the first coordinator of a juvenile offender program sponsored by the Council for Resocialization of Ex-offenders (CRE-O); and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson served as Executive Director of the Oklahoma Health Care Project, as a Circuit Riding City Manager for the East Central Rural Municipal Area Council, and as Federal Funds Coordinator and Fiscal Analyst for the Oklahoma State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 1990 and to the Oklahoma State Senate in 1993.

While in the Oklahoma State Senate she served as Vice-Chair, then Chair of the Finance Committee, Vice-Chair of the Business and Labor Committee, Vice-Chair of the Subcommittee on Health and Social Services of the Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Group Health and Employee Benefits Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Education Committee, and as First Assistant Majority Floor Leader; and

WHEREAS, Senator Angela Monson, while an Oklahoma State Senator and before being term-limited out of office, served as a member, then Chair of the National Advisory Council to the National Health Service Corps and on the Uncompensated Care Equalization Committee. She served as Chair of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Health Committee, was a member of the NCSL Executive Committee, Vice President, then President of the National Conference of State Legislatures. Senator Monson Co-Chaired the Streamlined Sales Tax Implementing States; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson works for the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center as Director of Health Policy Development and Analysis. She is a member of the University of Oklahoma Medical Center Board of Trustees, a member of the Oklahoma City/County Board of Health, a member of the national Board of Directors of Families USA, a member of the national Board of Directors of the Center for Health Policy Development, and Co-Chairs the Turning Point State Health Plan Committee. Ms. Monson is an Adjunct Associate Professor in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson serves as Parent Teacher Student Association President at Northeast Academy, Chairs the Institute for Child Advocacy's Oklahoma Afterschool Network Leadership Team, Chairs the Advisory Council for Metro College and Career Academy/Parent Resource Center, and works with Save Our Students (S.O.S.). Ms. Monson is youth director and primary grade Sunday school teacher at her church, the Voice of Praise Baptist Church, founded by her mother, the late Reverend Epron Provo Monson; and

WHEREAS, Angela Monson recently won election as Chair of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education, having defeated her only challenger by a 59 to 41 percent majority. She was sworn in as Board Chair on February 16, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates former State Senator Angela Monson upon her election as Chair of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education and wishes her a long and successful tenure.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the newly elected Chair of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education, former State Senator Angela Monson.

Adopted by the Senate the 18th day of February, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate