

Senate Resolution 26 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26

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JOHNSON

1 A Resolution honoring and congratulating Dr.

2 Christopher A. Duree and Dr. Linda Allen upon their
3 respective retirements as the Chancellor of Iowa
4 Valley Community College District and the President
5 of Hawkeye Community College.

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have contributed
7 52 years of combined service to education in the State
8 of Iowa; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have demonstrated
10 exemplary service and performance advocating for
11 accessible and affordable education to a diverse range
12 of students; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have served in many
14 capacities as leaders of their colleges, committed to
15 developing innovative credit and non-credit programs
16 serving more than 37,000 people each year; and

17 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Dr. Duree and Dr.
18 Allen, Iowa Valley Community College District and
19 Hawkeye Community College have established strong
20 working relationships with business, industry, and
21 education partners; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have demonstrated
23 an ability to be responsive to the specific workforce
24 needs of Iowa's businesses and employers to compete in
25 global markets; and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen are recognized
27 as leaders among their peers in providing innovative

1 skills training for high-demand, high-paying, and
2 high-skilled occupations and career enhancement
3 opportunities for all workers in Iowa; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have been champions
5 for increased access to and investment in adult
6 education to close the skills gap that exists in our
7 communities; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have been
9 recognized statewide and nationally for their support
10 of initiatives that promote student success and
11 retention related to higher education; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Duree and Dr. Allen have exemplified
13 the true mission of the Iowa Association of Community
14 College Trustees (IACCT), and have both been honored
15 with the IACCT Outstanding Chief Administrator
16 Award; NOW THEREFORE,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate hereby
18 congratulates Dr. Christopher A. Duree and Dr. Linda
19 Allen upon their respective retirements from Iowa
20 Valley Community College District and Hawkeye Community
21 College and extends its sincere gratitude to them
22 for their dedication and commitment to providing all
23 students with a quality education at Iowa's community
24 colleges.