

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1813

A Resolution congratulating and commanding Alan D. Conroy for his service to the Kansas Legislature and the State of Kansas and for his appointment as Executive Director of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System.

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy has served the Kansas Legislature for nearly 29 years as Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Chief Fiscal Analyst and Director of Legislative Research from July 25, 1983, through February 10, 2012, after serving as a Governor's Budget Analyst in the Division of the Budget from 1979 to 1983; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy, as Director, has provided the leadership, guidance and motivation to continue and improve the outstanding nonpartisan professional analysis and service provided by all members of the Kansas Legislative Research Department; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy has responded to countless inquiries from Kansas Legislators of both parties with a friendly willingness and has employed his ability to gather and analyze information and to provide objective, nonpolitical responses; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy has shown himself to be highly motivated and has applied his skills, knowledge and understanding of state budgets, finance and government policy to anticipate issues and to inform and assist members of the Kansas Legislature in their formulation of public policy; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy is known and highly respected by members of the Kansas Legislature as a consummate professional whose diligence, insight and knowledge has been relied upon by the members of the Kansas Legislature with absolute confidence; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy has served with distinction and honor as an integral member and leader of the State General Fund Consensus Revenue Estimating Group; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy has been selected for a new and challenging professional position to serve as Executive Director of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) for which he is uniquely talented and experienced, including having provided fiscal and policy analysis regarding pensions, investments and benefits for several legislative study committees, including studies of KPERS in particular; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy served as a member *ex officio* of the KPERS Study Commission during 2011; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Political Science with an emphasis in Public Administration from the University of South Dakota in 1977, and was awarded a Master of Arts with an emphasis in Public Administration from Wichita State University in 1979, after a year's full-time internship as a Kansas Governor's Fellow serving as a management intern with various Governor's cabinet members; and

WHEREAS, Alan D. Conroy was born in Kearney, Nebraska, and is married to Julie Conroy and they have a son, Joseph, and three daughters, Anna Keller, who is married to Joel Keller, and Jessie Conroy and Nicole Conroy. Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Alan D. Conroy on more than 33 years of public service to the Kansas Legislative Research Department, the Kansas Legislature and to the State of Kansas and for the legacy of professional excellence and nonpartisan public service that he leaves after his many years as Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Chief Fiscal Analyst and Director of Legislative Research; and

*Be it further resolved:* That we congratulate and commend Alan D. Conroy upon his appointment as Executive Director of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System and look forward to the good work he will do for the KPERS Board of Trustees, the active and retired members and beneficiaries of KPERS and the people of Kansas, and look forward to our continued interaction with him in his new role; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide enrolled copies of this resolution to: Alan D. Conroy and the members of his family, at 3651 SE Shoreline Drive, Topeka, KS 66605.

Senate Resolution No. 1813 was sponsored by Senators Morris, Emler, Hensley, Abrams, Apple, Bruce, Brungardt, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Holland, Huntington, Kelly, Kelsey, King, Kultala, Longbine, Love, Lynn, Marshall, Masterson, McGinn, Merrick, Olson, Ostmeyer, Owens, Petersen, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Reitz, A. Schmidt, V. Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Umberger, Vratil and Wagle.

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.*