

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95-4657, by Representatives Silver and Sommers

WHEREAS, Persons of character, integrity, intelligence, and dedication have made significant contributions to the people of this state and to the growth and development of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Robert L. Hollister, Jr., Ph.D. is representative of these qualities and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollister served his country with distinction as a member of the United States Army, rising to the rank of Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollister earned a Doctorate degree in Business Administration after retirement from military service and became a member of the faculty at the University of Puget Sound; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, chosen by Governor Dixie Lee Ray, Dr. Hollister became the first Director of the Department of Retirement Systems confirmed by the State Senate, where he was given the task of combining the individual administration of the six major retirement systems of the state; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollister remained to serve as Director under three Governors of both political parties for twelve years, during which time he made major contributions to the development of Washington's Retirement Systems; and

WHEREAS, As Director of the Department of Retirement Systems, Dr. Hollister served as a member of the State Investment Board and became its Chair exercising experienced and innovative judgment in investing the funds of the retirement trusts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollister was a tireless advocate for equitable treatment for all members under pension statutes and was always readily available to assist the Legislature in finding solutions to often complex retirement issues; and

WHEREAS, After retirement Dr. Hollister continued his involvement by generously volunteering his time and knowledge to the Office of the State Actuary and the Joint Committee on Pension Policy in the development of options for the improvement of public retirement systems in this state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington recognize, honor, and give profound thanks to Dr. Robert L. Hollister, Jr. for his contributions to our nation, this state, and the public employees of the State of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Dr. Hollister.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4657 adopted by the House of Representatives
Rules Committee
April 5, 1995.

Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk