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## SENATE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ANN CORNWELL FOR HER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS A STAFF MEMBER, DIRECTOR, AND SECRETARY OF THE ARKANSAS STATE SENATE.

### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Ann Cornwell has been a valued employee of the Senate since the Seventy-Third General Assembly in 1981; and

WHEREAS, members of the Senate respect and value the plethora of legislative experience and knowledge of Ann Cornwell, the Director and Secretary of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell began working as the Senate's journal clerk during the 1981 regular session until she became the Assistant Secretary of the Senate during the 1991 regular session; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell served as the Assistant Secretary and Fiscal Officer of the Senate during the 1993 regular session, as the full-time Secretary and Fiscal Officer of the Senate during the 1995 regular session, and as the Secretary of the Senate and Coordinator of Legislative Services during the 2007 regular session; and



WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has been serving as the Director and Secretary of the Senate since the 2009 regular session and she is the first female to serve the Senate as its director and secretary; and

WHEREAS, the many legislative services provided by the members of the Senate staff under the leadership of Ann Cornwell play a vital role in the daily functions of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Senate and all of those who have worked alongside Director Cornwell acknowledge and appreciate her hard work and dedication that enable the Senate to function efficiently; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served during the terms of many distinguished Governors, including Governor Frank White, President Bill Clinton, Governor Jim Guy Tucker, Governor Mike Huckabee, and Governor Asa Hutchinson; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served the Senate with many notable Lieutenant Governors, including Lieutenant Governor Winston Bryant, Lieutenant Governor Winthrop Paul Rockefeller, Lieutenant Governor Bill Halter, Lieutenant Governor Mark Darr, and Lieutenant Governor Tim Griffin; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell has served many influential former state senators, including Governor Mike Beebe, United States Representative Mike Ross, United States Representative Vic Snyder, and State Republican Party Chairman Doyle Webb; and

WHEREAS, during Director Cornwell's 35 years of service as a member of the Senate staff and Director of the Senate, she has willingly and patiently served members of the Senate with a calm and professional demeanor that reflects admirably upon the Senate and brings stability to the chamber; and

WHEREAS, Director Cornwell's kind and effective management of Senate staff has won her great admiration and respect by both permanent and session staff privileged to work under her guidance, many of whom look forward to

returning every session because they "love working for Ann"; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Senate recognize and honor the 35 years of exemplary service of Director Cornwell,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate of the Ninetieth General Assembly recognizes and honors Director Cornwell's 35 years of exemplary service to the Senate, her hard work and dedication, her professionalism and kindness, and her daily efforts to maintain the functions and procedures of the Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy be provided to Ann Cornwell, Director and Secretary of the Senate.