## 2017 Regular Session

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 108

## BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Dr. Elaine Fichter upon the celebration of her ninetyseventh birthday and congratulates her and her daughter, Dr. Lauren Mickey on their distinguished careers as healthcare practitioners

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Dr. Elaine Fichter upon the celebration of her ninety-seventh birthday, and to
3	congratulate Dr. Fichter and her daughter, Dr. Lauren Mickey on their distinguished
4	careers as healthcare practitioners.
5	. WHEREAS, Dr. Elaine Fichter grew up in West Hazleton, Pennsylvania; and
6	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter was captain of her high school's debate team and "capably
7	delivered the constructive argument and the refutation" according to her yearbook; and
8	WHEREAS, she graduated from Maryville College and then attended Duke
9	University School of Medicine, the only medical school to which she applied; and
10	WHEREAS, while on rotation in Denver, Dr. Fichter met and married Lorin Mickey,
11	an obstetrician-gynecologist; and
12	WHEREAS, the couple moved to Monroe in 1955, where they opened medical
13	practices; and
14	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter practiced as a pediatrician for forty years in Monroe before
15	retiring in the 1990s; and
16	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter has said that she loved her job for these two reasons: "the
17	children and their mothers"; and
18	WHEREAS, the parent of one of Dr. Fichter's patients described her as "diminutive
19	in size, but larger than life"; and

1	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter has also been described as a "pediatrician whose work ethic
2	was unreal; she had compassion, intelligence and devotion"; and
3	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter demonstrated that devotion the day she embraced Anne
4	Lockhart, a grieving mother who lost her fourteen-year-old son Brent as the result of an
5	accident, in a local grocery store more than twenty years ago; and
6	WHEREAS, Dr. Mickey and Dr. Fichter had four children, three of whom became
7	physicians; and
8	WHEREAS, one of her daughters, Dr. Lauren J. Mickey, has said her mother was
9	"incredibly driven" and prioritized patients before herself, but also made time to help with
10	her children's homework and tuck them into bed at night; and
11	WHEREAS, Dr. Elaine Fichter recently celebrated her ninety-seventh birthday; and
12	WHEREAS, Dr. Fichter's daughter, Dr. Lauren J. Mickey, chose to follow her
13	mother's example and graduated from Newcomb College and the medical school of the
14	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in Shreveport; and
15	WHEREAS, Dr. Lauren Mickey tried several surgical specialties and eventually
16	committed to ear, nose, and throat in the mid-1980s; and
17	WHEREAS, Dr. Mickey became the first female resident at LSU Health-Shreveport
18	in the ear, nose, and throat department; and
19	WHEREAS, Dr. Mickey, in addition to operating her private practice, has performed
20	surgeries at P&S Surgical Hospital for almost twenty years; and
21	WHEREAS, Dr. Mickey has been described as "a remarkable person, and a
22	highly-skilled surgeon" who "will do anything for her patients, just like her mother".
23	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
24	commend Dr. Elaine Fichter upon the celebration of her ninety-seventh birthday, does
25	hereby congratulate Dr. Fichter and her daughter, Dr. Lauren Mickey on their distinguished
26	careers as healthcare practitioners, and does hereby recognize them for their exemplary
27	service and dedication to their community.
28	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
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29 to Dr. Elaine Fichter and Dr. Lauren Mickey.

## DIGEST

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