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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 155

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2 BY IVERSON, ANGELO, BEHN, BLACK, BOETTGER,
3 BOLKCOM, CONNOLLY, DEARDEN, DELUHERY, DRAKE, DVORSKY,
4 FIEGEN, FINK, FLYNN, FRAISE, FREEMAN, GASKILL,
5 GREINER, GRONSTAL, HAMMOND, HANSEN, HARPER, HOLVECK,
6 HORN, HOUSER, JENSEN, KIBBIE, KING, KRAMER, LAMBERTI,
7 LORD, LUNDBY, MADDOX, McCOY, McKIBBEN, McKINLEY,
8 MILLER, RAGAN, REDFERN, REDWINE, REHBERG, RITTMER,
9 SCHUERER, SEXTON, SHEARER, SOUKUP, TINSMAN, VEENSTRA,
10 and ZIEMAN

11 A Resolution honoring and paying tribute to
12 Auditor of State Richard D. Johnson upon his
13 retirement from public office.

14 WHEREAS, Richard D. "Dick" Johnson will retire this
15 year after serving for 23 years as the Auditor of
16 State; and

17 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson is a native of Spencer,
18 Iowa, and received his bachelor's degree in accounting
19 from Drake University, and his CPA in this state; and

20 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson began his career of
21 public service as the Sheldahl City Clerk in 1959 and
22 was the Mayor of Sheldahl for 11 years from 1964-1975;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson was appointed as the
25 Director of Finance for the Iowa Highway Commission in
26 1968 and was appointed as the first Director of the
27 Department of Transportation's Administration Division
28 in 1975; and

29 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson was appointed as the
30 Director of the Department of Transportation's Motor

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1 Vehicle Division in 1978; and

2 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson was appointed to the
3 position of Auditor of State by Governor Robert Ray in
4 1979 after the incumbent died; and

5 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson is a six-time winner of
6 statewide office and has never lost an election; and

7 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson was instrumental in
8 helping the state weather the budget crisis of the
9 mid-1990s and earned the respect of persons of both
10 parties for his political courage and his lack of
11 partisanship; and

12 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson has been nationally
13 recognized for his expertise by being elected
14 President of the National Association of State
15 Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers; and

16 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson is a former member of
17 the Auditing Standards Board of the American Institute
18 of CPAs, becoming the first Iowan to serve on that
19 board; and

20 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson was internationally
21 recognized for his expertise when he was commissioned
22 by the United States Department of State to help
23 develop accounting and financial systems in new
24 democracies in the former Soviet Union; and

25 WHEREAS, Richard D. Johnson has been the faithful
26 and respected "Watchdog of the Treasury" since 1979;
27 NOW THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
29 honors and pays tribute to Richard D. "Dick" Johnson,
30 upon his retirement from public office, for his

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1 unwavering integrity and for his many years of public
2 service benefiting the citizens of Iowa; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage of this
4 Resolution, an official copy shall be prepared for
5 presentation to Auditor of State Richard D. Johnson.

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