

Resolution



ORDER NO: 2022-0148

DATE: February 15, 2022

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 15th day of February 2022 on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner District 4, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Dr. Paula Dobbs-Wiggins, a native of St. Louis, MO, received her bachelor's degree in Biology (cum laude) from Harvard College. She then went on to pursue her medical degree at Harvard Medical School which currently has an acceptance rate of 3.7%; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dobbs-Wiggins completed her residency in psychiatry at Timberlawn Psychiatric Hospital in Dallas and is a Board Certified Psychiatrist and Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. She specializes in diagnosing and treating mental illness such as depression, anxiety disorders, substance abuse and schizophrenia; and

WHEREAS, in November 2013, Dr. Dobbs-Wiggins was appointed to serve on the Parkland's Board of Managers as an at-large appointee by the Dallas County Commissioners Court. She was unanimously chosen to serve as Chair in August 2019 and named one of the 2021 recipients of the Kerney Laday, Sr. Trustee Award; and


WHEREAS, with her unique experience as an ordained minister, Dr. Dobbs-Wiggins worked to increase dialogue and collaboration between mental health and religious professionals to promote a greater understanding of mental health conditions and decrease the stigma that often results in people not availing themselves effective treatment; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dobbs-Wiggins is a retired Professor of the Practice of Pastoral Care at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University having served on the faculty from 1999-2019. She also used her professional experience and passion for the good of the community as a long-time member of St. Luke Community UMC where she serves as a Clinical Coordinator of the Mental Health Ministry and Directress of the Angel & Cherub Choir; and

WHEREAS, with the multiple talents of Dr. Dobbs-Wiggins focused on the public good, the patients and staff of Parkland Hospital received a Board of Managers Member who was aware of the needs of the larger community and responded directly to answer the need but also with an understanding of whether it was the better option. The broader approach made her well suited to making decisions for the Parkland, and Dallas County community.

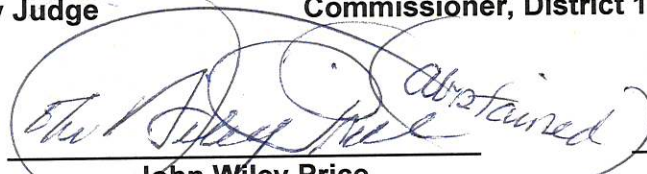
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby thank and recognize Dr. Paula Dobbs-Wiggins for her leadership and service on the Parkland Board of Managers and to all the residents of Dallas County.


DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 15th day of February 2022.


Clay Lewis Jenkins
County Judge


Dr. Theresa Daniel
Commissioner, District 1


J.J. Koch
Commissioner, District 2


John Wiley Price
Commissioner, District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia
Commissioner, District 4