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Presented by *Mrs. Arce Ferrer*

Referred to

RESOLUTION

To extend our warmest congratulations and recognition of the Senate of Puerto Rico to Mrs. Wanda Mims, Director of VA Caribbean Healthcare System in Puerto Rico for her Farewell Ceremony.

EXPOSITION OF MOTIVES

Mims, 53, has served as director of VA Caribbean Healthcare System in Puerto Rico since 2009 where she oversees health care operations in both Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Island. She supervises a 480 bed main hospital, two multispecialty outpatient clinics, four community based outpatient clinics, three rural health clinics and an outreach center.

Mims joined the VA more than 14 years ago and has held progressive leadership positions at the Cincinnati, Cleveland, Hampton, VA., and Louisville VA Medical Centers. She also was the deputy network director for the Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 10 which included oversight for multiple VA Medical Centers in Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Cleveland and Dayton, Ohio, and a VA Outpatient Clinic in Columbus, Ohio.

Mims enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps at age 17 and served for four years until her discharge. She holds a master degree in business administration, is a graduate of the VA's Executive Career Field Program, Healthcare Leadership Institute and the Federal Institute for Healthcare Executives. She has over 33 years of experience in the federal government.

Mims is married to a retired Marine and has two children, one of whom served in the U.S. Army.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF PUERTO RICO:

1 Section 1.- Express our warmest congratulations and recognition of the Senate of Puerto
2 Rico to Mrs. Wanda Smith, Director of VA Caribbean Healthcare System in Puerto Rico for
3 her Farewell Ceremony.

4 Section 2.- A copy of this Resolution, in the form of parchment, will be given to Mrs.
5 Mims.

6 Section 3.- This Resolution shall take effect immediately after his approval.