

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Ben A. Brooks III, who is retiring after many years of dedicated service to the City of Dallas; and

WHEREAS, Ben Brooks III is an accomplished and respected lawyer who has served as bond counsel and disclosure counsel for cities, counties, school districts, special law districts, and other political subdivisions throughout Texas; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Ben has helped secure the financing and development of airports, sports facilities, housing, industrial development, health care, and public power and regional water; he took great care in drafting legislation that authorized public entities to finance their infrastructure and economic development programs; and

WHEREAS, Noted for his wisdom and integrity, Ben served as bond counsel for several multimillion-dollar infrastructure projects for the City of Dallas, including for the Dallas Area Rapid Transit Authority and the Dallas Independent School District, and he was the disclosure counsel on the billion-dollar development of Dallas Fort Worth International Airport; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Ben has upheld the highest standards of his profession and has continuously been ranked by ratings organizations as among the best lawyers in public finance law and securities regulation; a fellow of the American College of Bond Counsel, Ben earned his bachelor's degree from The University of Texas at Austin and his law degree from Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Ben has labored to build a more prosperous Dallas, and his diligence and discernment have

improved the quality of life for his fellow citizens; as his colleagues and friends gather to celebrate his achievements on November 13, 2023, it is indeed fitting that this treasured Texan receive special recognition for his extraordinary contributions to his beloved city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Ben A. Brooks III on his distinguished career and service to the City of Dallas and extend to him best wishes on an enjoyable retirement and in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on October 12, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate