RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry King is retiring as president of Trinity 2 Valley Community College on May 31, 2023, drawing to a close four 3 and a half decades of distinguished service to the institution; and WHEREAS, A native of Commerce, Dr. King earned his bachelor's 4 5 degree in economics in 1973, his master's degree in business administration in 1975, and his doctorate in education in 1986, all 6 7 from Texas A&M University-Commerce; and WHEREAS, This dedicated educator first joined TVCC in the 8 9 1970s, and over the course of his exemplary 45-year tenure with the school, he has served as a business and economics professor, dean of 10 11 Workforce Education, associate vice president of 12 Education and Business Affairs, vice president of instruction, and chief instructional officer; since 2016, he has been TVCC's 13 14 president, and in that role he has earned the respect and admiration of the college's faculty, students, and staff; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Dr. King has been a leader in his community as well; from 1995 to 2005, he served as mayor of Athens, and from 2008 to 17 2012, he was board vice chair of the Trinity Valley Electric 18 Cooperative; he has also served as president of the Athens Noon 19 Kiwanis Club, vice president of the Athens Chamber of Commerce and 20 21 the Henderson County United Way, and president of the East Texas Economic Development District and the East Texas 22 Tech-Prep 23 Consortium, and he has sat on the boards of the Texas A&M University-Commerce Alumni Association and Workforce Solutions 24

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- 1 East Texas, among other groups; his many honors include service
- 2 awards from his alma mater and the Henderson County Retired
- 3 Teachers and recognition as Citizen of the Year in Athens; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jerry King has served Trinity Valley Community
- 5 College with skill, dedication, and enthusiasm for nearly half a
- 6 century, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent
- 7 as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of his life; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Jerry King on his retirement as
- 11 president of Trinity Valley Community College and extend to him
- 12 sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Dr. King as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 52 was adopted by the House on March 8, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House