

By: King of Uvalde

H.R. No. 574

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert L. Hurley retired as Atascosa  
2 County judge on December 31, 2022, following an exemplary  
3 eight-year tenure in office; and

4           WHEREAS, Elected to the first of two terms on January 1, 2015,  
5 Judge Hurley worked tirelessly to bring positive change to the  
6 county, including numerous capital improvements; the county built a  
7 much-needed animal control shelter, as well as a new office  
8 building for the Precinct 3 justice of the peace, featuring a  
9 revenue-generating truck weigh station; a new courthouse annex not  
10 only relieved crowding, but anticipates future growth; and

11           WHEREAS, Judge Hurley collaborated effectively with  
12 stakeholders to develop an intercity mass transit system; during  
13 the COVID-19 pandemic, he led a robust response, and he brought the  
14 first San Antonio Food Bank to the county; he undertook  
15 modernization of bill payments and the employee compensation  
16 system; while remaining focused on cost control and property tax  
17 reduction, he supported staff members wholeheartedly; he launched a  
18 wellness initiative, committed to an improved health insurance  
19 plan, and implemented a safety program with a new safety manager; in  
20 addition, he hired the county's first IT manager and supervised  
21 overhauls of the EMS system and indigent health care; and

22           WHEREAS, In his role as judge of the probate and juvenile  
23 courts, Judge Hurley demonstrated similar dynamism; he spearheaded  
24 the effort to clear up years of probate case closures and expired

1 guardianship cases, created a court visitor program to supervise  
2 active guardianship cases, and secured a grant to establish a  
3 public defender program in concert with three other counties; the  
4 juvenile detention center now has a rehab treatment facility; and

5         WHEREAS, Judge Hurley served on the board of the Alamo Area  
6 Council of Governments during his tenure; previously, he was a  
7 member of the Pleasanton City Council, and he was twice elected  
8 mayor; he has shared his expertise with a host of civic  
9 organizations over the years, among them the Atascosa County  
10 Economic Development Corporation and Atascosa County Mental Health  
11 Advisory Board; in 2003, the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce named  
12 him Man of the Year; and

13         WHEREAS, A strong and energetic leader, Bob Hurley has  
14 contributed significantly to the betterment of his community, and  
15 his endeavors have produced results of lasting benefit to countless  
16 Texans; now, therefore, be it

17         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
18 Legislature hereby congratulate Bob Hurley on his retirement as  
19 Atascosa County judge and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
20 continued happiness with his wife, June, and his children,  
21 grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and, be it further

22         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
23 prepared for Judge Hurley as an expression of high regard by the  
24 Texas House of Representatives.