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H.R. No. 2140

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Mike Donnelly, who has led Double Oak as mayor for
2 over a decade and served multiple terms on the town council, was
3 recently awarded the title of mayor emeritus; and

4 WHEREAS, A resident of Double Oak for 21 years, Mr. Donnelly
5 has volunteered his time in numerous capacities; since first being
6 elected in 2004, he served intermittently on the town council,
7 where he held the positions of mayor pro tempore and acting
8 treasurer; he made a successful bid for mayor in 2009, and after
9 completing the full term to 2011, he ran unopposed from 2012 to
10 2021; the following year, he was appointed by the council to once
11 again take on the role of the town's chief executive; along the way,
12 he has shared his insight as a member of the town's budget committee
13 for 20 years; and

14 WHEREAS, During Mr. Donnelly's time in office, he has worked
15 to keep property taxes low, to keep Double Oak debt-free, and to
16 maintain the town's reputation as a safe and family-friendly place
17 to live; he has enthusiastically supported the Double Oak Police
18 Department, and he enjoyed seeing the town's public safety efforts
19 acknowledged when Double Oak was named the safest city in Texas by
20 AdvisorSmith in December 2020; in addition to this achievement, the
21 Double Oak Volunteer Fire Department improved its ISO score to 2,
22 the second-highest rating a department can receive; and

23 WHEREAS, This dynamic leader has immersed himself in civic
24 life while also enjoying a successful career at American Airlines,

1 Inc.; he is known for being deeply engaged with residents, whom he
2 often meets while driving around in his pickup truck to fill
3 potholes and help keep the community clean; he is also passionate
4 about annual events, including the July 4th parade and picnic and
5 the Christmas tree lighting, and he has personally attended
6 weddings, funerals, graduations, ribbon cuttings, and other
7 gatherings for both his employees and fellow residents; and

8 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Donnelly is blessed with
9 the love and support of a fine family that includes his wife, Treva
10 Donnelly, and his daughter Elizabeth; and

11 WHEREAS, Through his many civic contributions, Mike Donnelly
12 has had a profound and positive impact on his community, and he is
13 truly deserving of this special recognition of his extraordinary
14 record of service; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Mike Donnelly on being named mayor
17 emeritus of Double Oak and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
18 future; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Mr. Donnelly as an expression of high regard by the
21 Texas House of Representatives.