

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Frank B. Ashley III is retiring as senior
2 professor and executive associate dean of the Texas A&M University
3 Bush School of Government and Public Service in 2023, following a
4 distinguished career spanning more than four decades in education
5 and nearly 35 years with the TAMU System; and

6 WHEREAS, Since joining the Bush School in 2016, Dr. Ashley
7 has overseen such areas as graduate education and research
8 activities, strategic planning, and program development; he has
9 also taught courses in his role as senior professor, worked to
10 foster diversity and inclusion, and strengthened the school's
11 external relations; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Ashley earned his bachelor's degree in health,
13 physical education, and safety at Louisiana College, and after
14 beginning his career as a science teacher and coach in Louisiana, he
15 completed his master's and doctoral degrees at the University of
16 Alabama; in 1986, he was hired by TAMU as an assistant professor in
17 the Department of Health and Kinesiology and coordinator of the
18 sport management program; and

19 WHEREAS, A gifted administrator, Dr. Ashley was named
20 associate dean for undergraduate studies and teacher education in
21 the College of Education in 1996; he went on to serve in a number of
22 leadership positions, and during three years at TAMU-Commerce, he
23 rose to become interim provost and vice president for academic
24 affairs; active in the community, he served as a trustee of the

1 Commerce Independent School District and spoke to students and
2 educators across the region; he returned to College Station in 2007
3 as a vice chancellor for the A&M System; from 2013 to 2016, he was a
4 senior vice president at the College Board in New York, working on
5 initiatives to increase college participation for underprivileged
6 students; and

7 WHEREAS, Over the years, Dr. Ashley has been published
8 extensively; he has presented frequently in the U.S. and abroad and
9 is much in demand as a speaker on education, conflict resolution,
10 and diversity issues; inducted into the University of Alabama
11 College of Education Hall of Fame, he is the recipient of myriad
12 other accolades, including the Distinguished Service Award from the
13 Faculty Senate of TAMU-Commerce; he was named vice chancellor
14 emeritus by the TAMU System in 2013; and

15 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to the important mission of Texas
16 A&M University, Frank Ashley has made significant contributions to
17 the advancement of higher education, and he may indeed reflect with
18 pride on a career well spent; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
20 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Frank B. Ashley III on his
21 retirement as senior professor and executive associate dean of the
22 Texas A&M University Bush School of Government and Public Service
23 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,
24 be it further

H.R. No. 2193

1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Dr. Ashley as an expression of high regard by the Texas
3 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2193

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2193 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House