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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Linda Holt is retiring as director of Central
- 2 Emergency Medical Services (CEMS) in West Columbia on June 30,
- 3 2003, and this occasion presents an ideal opportunity to commend
- 4 her for her valuable contributions to her community; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A pioneer in advanced care for the Brazoria County
- 6 area and the guiding force behind CEMS since its first ambulance
- 7 responded to a call on July 7, 1979, Mrs. Holt has wholeheartedly
- 8 dedicated her time and energy to this vital, life-saving
- 9 organization for nearly a quarter-century; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Initially funded by private donations and staffed by
- 11 volunteers, CEMS has steadily grown under Mrs. Holt's able
- 12 leadership, and its resources today include four ambulances and
- 13 nine full-time and five part-time paramedic/emergency medical
- 14 technician staff members, as well as district funding; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Holt taught the first paramedic classes in
- 16 Brazoria County and CEMS was the first emergency service in the
- 17 county to employ paramedics, an initiative which has saved
- 18 countless lives over the years; and
- 19 WHEREAS, This highly regarded individual can look back on her
- 20 career with great pride, for she has set high standards of
- 21 excellence to which all members of her profession may aspire; now,
- 22 therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 24 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Linda Holt on

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- 1 her retirement as director of Central Emergency Medical Services
- 2 and extend to her sincere best wishes as she begins an exciting new
- 3 chapter in her life; and, be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 5 prepared for Mrs. Holt as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 6 House of Representatives.