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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, On August 31, 2003, William C. Garbade is retiring
2   from his position as district engineer for the Austin District of
3   the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), bringing to a close
4   a highly productive 39-year career with that agency; and
5   WHEREAS, Mr. Garbade assumed his post as Austin district
6   engineer in June 1987, and among the projects he has overseen are
7   the expansion of freeways on the U.S. 183 and U.S. 290/Texas 71
8   corridors, which are significantly increasing the capacity of those
9   roadways; he also participated in the Capital Area Metropolitan
10 Planning Organization and in recognition of his efforts was named
11 "King of the Road" by Austin's *The Good Life Magazine* in December
12 2000; and
13   WHEREAS, First employed by TxDOT in 1964 as a laboratory
14 assistant in Victoria, he moved to the San Antonio District the
15 following year and worked in the Seguin and Pearsall areas; in
16 September 1986 he became director of the maintenance and operations
17 division, and he brought to all his positions a dedication and
18 professionalism that are widely respected; and
19   WHEREAS, In addition to his commendable work with TxDOT, he
20 was also a combat engineer in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War,
21 and his perilous tour of duty included service during the brutal Tet
22 Offensive; and
23   WHEREAS, Throughout his years as a public employee, Mr.
24 Garbade has set standards of excellence to which all may aspire, and

1 it is appropriate that he receive special legislative recognition

2 at this time; now, therefore, be it

3   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate William C.

5 Garbade on his exemplary tenure with the Texas Department of

6 Transportation and extend to him sincere best wishes as he begins a

7 new chapter in his life; and, be it further

8   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

9 prepared for Mr. Garbade as an expression of high regard by the

10 Texas House of Representatives.