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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Colonel Jimmie C. "J. J." Jackson, Jr., assumed the  
2 post of commander of the 305th Air Mobility Wing at McGuire Air  
3 Force Base in New Jersey on July 15, 2003; and

4 WHEREAS, A 1972 graduate of Corsicana High School, Col.  
5 Jackson pursued his higher education at Texas A&M University and  
6 after earning his degree went on to attend pilot training at Craig  
7 Air Force Base in Alabama and Reese Air Force Base in Texas; and

8 WHEREAS, He earned his wings in February 1978 and used his  
9 newly attained skills as a WC-130 copilot, instructor pilot, and  
10 assistant operations officer in the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance  
11 Squadron at Keesler Air Force Base; and

12 WHEREAS, In addition, Col. Jackson completed a tour of duty  
13 as deputy chief of staff of air and space operations at the  
14 Pentagon, was stationed at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois, and  
15 most recently was commander of Dyess Air Force Base near Abilene;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, His current job as wing commander will place Col.  
18 Jackson in charge of approximately 10,000 personnel and the unit's  
19 aircraft, which include 10 C-141 Starlifters and 32 KC-10  
20 Extenders, with a squadron of C-17 Globemaster III cargo aircraft  
21 due to arrive in 2004; and

22 WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished tenure with the U.S.  
23 Air Force, Col. Jackson has embodied the ideals of honor,  
24 dedication, and sacrifice that are at the core of military service,

1 and it is truly appropriate that he receive special legislative  
2 recognition at this time; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
4 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Col. Jimmie C.  
5 "J. J." Jackson, Jr., on his appointment as wing commander of the  
6 305th Air Mobility Wing at McGuire Air Force Base and extend to him  
7 sincere best wishes for success in his new assignment; and, be it  
8 further

9         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for Col. Jackson as an expression of high regard by the  
11 Texas House of Representatives.