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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The retirement of Bernie K. Dodd from the Texas
Department of Transportation (TxDOT) brings to a close a 35-year
career of distinguished service to the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dodd began his outstanding tenure with TxDOT as an engineering assistant in the design section of the Tyler District and became assistant resident engineer after receiving his professional engineering license; in 1983, he became area engineer in Athens and was later assigned to the same position for the Palestine area office; and

WHEREAS, With his promotion, Mr. Dodd assumed the oversight 10 of construction and maintenance projects in Anderson, Henderson, 11 12 and Van Zandt counties; during his remarkable tenure, he has 13 assisted the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in implementing 14 roadway improvements throughout the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center, which serves more than 300,000 visitors per year, and he 15 also helped to develop the first Rural Intelligent Transportation 16 System to ease overwhelming traffic congestion in Canton; and 17

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Dodd has proven himself a leader in his field, 19 recently serving on a statewide task force to make routine 20 maintenance budget recommendations; duly recognized for his 21 efforts, he earned the 2002 Luther DeBerry Award, presented 22 annually to a TxDOT engineer who has made great contributions to the 23 traveling public; and

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WHEREAS, Hundreds of transportation projects in East Texas

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bear the mark of Bernie Dodd's engineering expertise, integrity, and dedication to his work, and area citizens and countless travelers are truly in his debt; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby honor Bernie K. Dodd, P.E., on the occasion of his retirement as Athens and Palestine area engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation and extend to him sincere appreciation for his exemplary public service; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for Mr. Dodd as an expression of high esteem by the Texas 12 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 154 was adopted by the House on August 22, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House