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H.R. No. 154

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

10 WHEREAS, With his promotion, Mr. Dodd assumed the oversight  
11 of construction and maintenance projects in Anderson, Henderson,  
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  
15 Center, which serves more than 300,000 visitors per year, and he  
16 also helped to develop the first Rural Intelligent Transportation  
17 System to ease overwhelming traffic congestion in Canton; and

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

24 WHEREAS, Hundreds of transportation projects in East Texas

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

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
5 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby honor Bernie K. Dodd, P.E.,  
6 on the occasion of his retirement as Athens and Palestine area  
7 engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation and extend to  
8 him sincere appreciation for his exemplary public service; and, be  
9 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.