RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John Kelly, P.E., retired as district engineer for the San Antonio District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) on August 31, 2003, bringing to a close a distinguished 35-year career with that agency; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly joined TxDOT in 1968 as a summer engineering technician working in the Atlanta District's Texarkana office and the planning office of the Houston District; in 1971, he began working full-time in the Dallas District as a construction engineering assistant, bridge design engineer, and roadway design engineer; and

WHEREAS, After a promotion to assistant district planning engineer responsible for Texas 190, the George Bush Tollway, he was chosen to be project manager of the North Central Expressway in 1986, assuming the responsibilities for plans and development of one of the largest highway projects in TxDOT's history; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Mr. Kelly was selected to head the San Antonio District, and since that time he has ably led the district to many significant achievements, including the TransGuide ITS system and the Kelly Parkway; he has consistently emphasized worker safety and efficiency, and under his direction the district was nationally recognized for having the best-maintained highways of any metropolitan area in the country; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Arkansas, where he received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering, Mr. Kelly earned

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- 1 his professional engineering license in 1976; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly has served the State of Texas well,
- 3 earning the lasting respect of all who have been privileged to work
- 4 with him, and it is a pleasure to recognize him for his exemplary
- 5 career; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 7 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate John Kelly on
- 8 the occasion of his retirement from the Texas Department of
- 9 Transportation and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be
- 10 it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Mr. Kelly as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 13 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 35 was adopted by the House on September 16, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House