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H.R. No. 35

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, John Kelly, P.E., retired as district engineer for
2 the San Antonio District of the Texas Department of Transportation
3 (TxDOT) on August 31, 2003, bringing to a close a distinguished
4 35-year career with that agency; and

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

11 WHEREAS, After a promotion to assistant district planning
12 engineer responsible for Texas 190, the George Bush Tollway, he was
13 chosen to be project manager of the North Central Expressway in
14 1986, assuming the responsibilities for plans and development of
15 one of the largest highway projects in TxDOT's history; and

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

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

1 his professional engineering license in 1976; and

2 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.