

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, James Richard "Dick" Hanking has served with
2 distinction as chairman of the Republican Party of Camp County from
3 1998 to 2004; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Wyoming in 1937, Mr. Hanking graduated with
5 a bachelor's degree in engineering and a master's degree in
6 bioengineering from the University of Wyoming; after working for
7 Sperry Utah Engineering Laboratories in Salt Lake City for two
8 years, he was employed by Honeywell, Inc., at the Otis Air Force
9 Base in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, where he met his bride-to-be,
10 Cynthia Lee Hersey, whom he married in 1963; and

11 WHEREAS, Three years later, the young couple moved to Texas
12 after Mr. Hanking was offered a position with LTV Corporation, and
13 he worked for LTV for nearly 30 years before retiring; the Hankings
14 were blessed with two beloved sons, James Richard Hanking, Jr., and
15 the late Craig Michael Hanking, a courageous Arlington police
16 officer who was killed in the line of duty in August 1994; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1997, Mr. and Mrs. Hanking moved to Pittsburg,
18 and Mr. Hanking was named Republican Party chairman of Camp County;
19 Mrs. Hanking served alongside her husband as secretary for the
20 county party until she was called home to be with the Lord in 2003;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, With an aptitude for organization and a mind for
23 details, Mr. Hanking restructured the records and helped to
24 strengthen the Republican Party in Camp County; he served his

1 party's needs with commitment, winning the admiration of area
2 Republicans and Democrats alike with his quiet but assured
3 demeanor; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Hanking can indeed look with tremendous pride on
5 his many notable accomplishments as a political leader who has made
6 lasting contributions to his community and the State of Texas; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
9 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor James Richard Hanking
10 on the occasion of his retirement as Republican Party chairman for
11 Camp County and extend to him deep appreciation for his exemplary
12 public service; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Hanking as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 47

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 47 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House