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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The retirement of Ron Josselet of Austin on April 2 30, 2004, brought to a close an impressive tenure of nearly 23 years

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WHEREAS, Executive director of the State Office of Risk Management (SORM) since January 2000, Mr. Josselet began his career in state government in the 1970s at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; he has also worked for the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission and the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Josselet earned a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University, a master's degree in business administration from Southwest Texas State University, and licenses in risk management and workers' compensation claims adjusting from the Texas Department of Insurance; this dedicated Texan also holds the professional designations of associate in risk management and chartered property casualty underwriter; and

WHEREAS, In his role as executive director of SORM, Mr. Josselet served as the state risk manager for 165 agencies and approximately 170,000 employees; he has been involved in the development and implementation of the Texas statewide risk management program since its inception in 1990 and served as the first manager of the loss control section; many of the existing risk prevention and loss control programs for the state were initiated

as a direct result of Mr. Josselet's earlier work; and

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WHEREAS, Under his leadership, SORM has developed and maintained a comprehensive set of risk management guidelines intended to provide model programs, policies, and procedures to guide state agencies in their risk prevention and loss control efforts; substantial reductions in both the number of workers' compensation claims and workers' compensation expenditures in fiscal year 2004 reflect admirably on the effectiveness of his leadership at the agency; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Josselet has generously shared his considerable expertise in his field with the risk management community by serving on the Governor's Regional Health Care Delivery Networks Advisory Committee and the board of directors of the Central Texas Chapter of the Risk and Insurance Management Society, which he served as president for four consecutive terms; he is currently president of the board of directors for the Texas Chapter of the Public Risk Management Association, which named him Risk Manager of the Year in 2003; a member of the Texas Safety Association, he received an advanced safety certificate from the National Safety Council; and

WHEREAS, With his unwavering commitment to excellence and outstanding leadership ability, Mr. Josselet has truly been an asset to his agency and to state government; although he will be missed by his colleagues, the record of accomplishments that he leaves behind will not soon be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend Ron Josselet for his years of devoted service to the State of Texas and extend to him

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- 1 sincere best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement; and, be
- 2 it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for Mr. Josselet as an expression of high regard by the
- 5 Texas House of Representatives.

Giddings

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 211 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House