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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Jerry M. Wood retired as assistant director of
- 2 Tarrant County Juvenile Services (TCJS) on February 14, 2003, after
- 3 38 years of outstanding service to his community; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Wood joined the staff of TCJS on February 15,
- 5 1965, as a juvenile probation officer; he was named assistant
- 6 director in 1977 and demonstrated his expertise in juvenile
- 7 department procedures, detention practices, and law in that role
- 8 for more than 25 years; and
- 9 WHEREAS, This noteworthy gentleman holds a bachelor's degree
- 10 in sociology and a master's degree in criminal justice from Sam
- 11 Houston State University; in addition, he earned a master's degree
- in public administration from Texas Christian University in 1974;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Wood's positive influence extends beyond his
- longtime efforts with TCJS; he is a member of the Fort Worth Teen
- 16 Court board of directors, the Citizens Crime Commission of Tarrant
- 17 County, and the Texas Youth Development, Inc., board of directors;
- 18 he also is past president of the Fort Worth Girls' Club board of
- 19 directors and a dedicated supporter of Bridge Emergency Youth
- 20 Services and the Fort Worth Independent School District's
- 21 after-school programs; and
- WHEREAS, He is an adjunct professor at Texas Wesleyan
- 23 University and a guest lecturer at the Fort Worth Police Academy,
- 24 and he is a member of advisory boards for the Texas Youth Commission

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- and the Tarrant County Junior College Criminal Justice program; and
- WHEREAS, For 38 years, Jerry M. Wood has devoted himself to
- 3 helping the youth of Tarrant County, and it is indeed a privilege to
- 4 join in honoring this remarkable man as he celebrates his
- 5 retirement; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby commend Jerry M. Wood for his longtime service
- 8 to Tarrant County and pay tribute to him on the occasion of his
- 9 retirement as assistant director of Tarrant County Juvenile
- 10 Services; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Mr. Wood as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 13 House of Representatives.