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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The retirement of Charles Boyle Campbell, Jr., on  
2 January 17, 2003, from the board of directors of the Tarrant  
3 Regional Water District brought to a close 15 years of outstanding  
4 service on that body; and

5           WHEREAS, Born and reared in College Station and the son of a  
6 Texas A&M University professor, Mr. Campbell graduated from  
7 Consolidated High School in 1939 and pursued his higher education  
8 at Tulane University, where he served in the Naval ROTC and received  
9 both an officer's commission and a bachelor's degree in business  
10 administration; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell fought to defend his country during  
12 World War II, serving with distinction in the U.S. Navy as an  
13 officer stationed aboard the destroyer escort U.S.S. *Weaver*; and

14           WHEREAS, On completing military service with the rank of  
15 lieutenant, Mr. Campbell returned home to his beloved Texas and  
16 earned an additional degree from Texas A&M University in landscape  
17 architecture, after which he embarked on a lengthy career in  
18 municipal public service; and

19           WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell pursued his passion for creating parks  
20 and public amenities and was named the City of Midland's first park  
21 director in 1954; in that capacity he developed award-winning parks  
22 such as the Dennis the Menace Park and Hogan Park Golf Course; and

23           WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman was director of parks and  
24 recreation for the City of Fort Worth for a quarter-century, a

1 position he held until his retirement in 1987; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell held a seat for 25 years on the board of  
3 the City of Fort Worth Employees Credit Union and was also a member  
4 of the board of Streams and Valleys, Inc., a civic organization  
5 dedicated to beautifying and enhancing the Trinity River greenbelt  
6 in Fort Worth; and

7 WHEREAS, First elected to the Tarrant Regional Water District  
8 board of directors in 1988, Mr. Campbell was returned to that  
9 position by the voters three more times, and during his productive  
10 tenure he helped address such important issues as water supply and  
11 flood control planning; and

12 WHEREAS, He has been supported in all his endeavors by his  
13 wife of 52 years, Katherine Campbell, and their enduring union has  
14 been blessed with two daughters, Ann and Margaret, a son, Brice, and  
15 two grandchildren, Sarah and Charlie; and

16 WHEREAS, A leader of tremendous dedication, energy, and  
17 vision, Charles Campbell has made significant contributions to his  
18 community, region, and nation, and it is a pleasure to join in  
19 recognizing him at this time; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Charles Boyle Campbell, Jr., on his  
22 retirement from the Tarrant Regional Water District board of  
23 directors; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
25 prepared for Mr. Campbell as an expression of high regard by the  
26 Texas House of Representatives.