By: Keffer of Eastland

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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Retired physician Dr. William O'Quin has earned the 2 deep respect and admiration of his patients, family, neighbors, and 3 fellow citizens during his many years of service as a community 4 physician; and

5 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of the historic Texas city of 6 Mineral Wells, located in Palo Pinto County, Dr. O'Quin has never 7 failed to answer the call when his community has needed his 8 formidable talents and leadership abilities; and

9 WHEREAS, When Nazareth Hospital was suddenly closed in 1968, 10 Dr. O'Quin led a community effort to create the Palo Pinto Hospital 11 District through a county referendum to ensure the continuation of 12 essential health services in the area; largely through his diligent 13 efforts, Palo Pinto General Hospital was created by state statute 14 with Dr. O'Quin serving on its inaugural board of directors; and

15 WHEREAS, This esteemed humanitarian retired in 1999, 16 following a career committed to the welfare of Palo Pinto County 17 residents that included his involvement as a hospital district 18 trustee, chief of staff, medical director, and county public health 19 director; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. William O'Quin's selfless dedication to public 21 service and health care is exemplary, and he indeed merits special 22 recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
 Legislature hereby commend Dr. William O'Quin for his exemplary

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1 contributions in behalf of his community and the welfare of its 2 residents and extend to him sincere best wishes for a happy and 3 rewarding retirement; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Dr. O'Quin as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.