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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jerry Hoke is retiring as library director of 2 Wharton County Junior College after more than 30 years of service to 3 the school and the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hoke received his bachelor's degree from the University of Dayton, his master's degree in English from the University of Indiana, and his master's degree in library science from the University of Oklahoma; his strong educational background has provided him with a wide body of knowledge on such diverse topics as Italian motorcycles, everyday life in 17th-century London, European shotgun makers, and 14th-century music; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the WCJC library has undergone numerous changes and upgrades, including the incorporation of new technologies, which has substantially enhanced research opportunities and access to information; Mr. Hoke has also been instrumental in the expansion of the college from a single campus to an integral system serving the Central Gulf Coast; furthermore, as a distinguished member of the Wharton community, he has contributed to the development of the city's arts and cultural resources; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Hoke's dedication to the needs of WCJC students and Wharton area residents is truly outstanding, and though he will be missed by library patrons, his intellectual curiosity and civic commitment will surely continue to inspire others; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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- 1 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Jerry Hoke for his
- 2 exceptional tenure with Wharton County Junior College and extend to
- 3 him sincere best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Mr. Hoke as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 7 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 148 was adopted by the House on August 8, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House