

By: Morrison

H.R. No. 603

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Judge Lloyd Rust, Jr., of Wharton has stepped down  
2 from his position as a trustee with the Johnson Foundation after 29  
3 years of service, and this occasion provides an ideal time to  
4 recognize this esteemed Texan for his many accomplishments and  
5 contributions to his community; and

6           WHEREAS, A founding member of the Johnson Foundation board of  
7 trustees, Judge Rust brought his characteristic integrity and  
8 professionalism to his duties with the foundation; and

9           WHEREAS, This fourth generation Texan was born in 1919 in  
10 Wharton County and enrolled in pre-law at The University of Texas at  
11 Austin on his graduation from high school; when the United States  
12 entered World War II, he joined the navy; after passing the bar exam  
13 but before completing his law degree, he was sworn in as a licensed  
14 lawyer while aboard the USS *Hull*; and

15           WHEREAS, Following the war, Judge Rust completed the course  
16 work for his law degree, and in 1947 he won a seat in the Texas House  
17 of Representatives, marking the beginning of a distinguished career  
18 in public service; in 1950, he was elected county attorney for  
19 Wharton County and served in that role for 18 years before being  
20 elected judge with the court of domestic relations, now the state  
21 district court, in 1974; he retired from that position in 1983; and

22           WHEREAS, Judge Rust has further benefited his community as a  
23 trustee and elder of the First Presbyterian Church, and he has been  
24 a member of the Lions Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American

1 Legion, Elks Lodge, and Wharton County Chamber of Commerce; he also  
2 managed his family's farming and real estate businesses while  
3 helping to provide a loving home for his wife, the late Rose Marie  
4 Rust, and his four daughters; and

5 WHEREAS, This distinguished public servant has played an  
6 integral role in the vitality of Wharton County, and it is indeed a  
7 pleasure to honor him; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
9 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Judge Lloyd Rust,  
10 Jr., on his years of service to the Johnson Foundation and to his  
11 community, state, and nation and extend to him best wishes for the  
12 future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Judge Rust as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
15 House of Representatives.