By: Hamilton H.R. No. 234

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Lola Burgess is retiring from her position as 2 executive vice president of the Silsbee Chamber of Commerce on 3 March 31, 2005, bringing to a close an exceptional tenure with the 4 organization that has spanned 23 years; and

WHEREAS, In her role as chamber vice president, Mrs. Burgess
has been a tireless advocate of the Silsbee community, promoting
area events, championing local businesses and organizations, and

8 setting a sterling example of leadership to which all may aspire;

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WHEREAS, This notable woman has further proven herself to be one of Silsbee's most invaluable assets through her important work with a number of organizations; former publicity and promotion chair for the Silsbee Independent School District School Board referendum, she has managed publicity for the Christmas in the Big Thicket Festival and Lighted Parade as well as for the Silsbee Little Theater, a group she has also served as president and as a member of its Fifth Street Band; moreover, she has greatly benefited the Better Business Bureau of Southeast Texas as a director and the Lamar Institute of Technology as a trustee; and

20 WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, she enjoys the love and 21 support of her husband, County Commissioner Bob Burgess, and her 22 son, Dr. Rob Burgess; and

WHEREAS, Lola Burgess has made Silsbee a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family, and her outstanding efforts

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- 1 in behalf of the city she loves to call home will have a positive and
- 2 lasting impact on area residents; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby commend Lola Burgess on her distinguished record
- of service as executive vice president of the Silsbee Chamber of
- 6 Commerce and extend to her sincere best wishes for a happy
- 7 retirement; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for Mrs. Burgess as an expression of high regard by the
- 10 Texas House of Representatives.