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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. James Stewart Leeves of Naples retired from his 2 medical practice in December 2004, after rendering more than half a 3 century of exemplary care to the residents of Morris County; and

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WHEREAS, Born in Naples on October 29, 1924, Dr. Leeves graduated from The University of Texas at Austin, received his medical degree from the UT Medical Branch at Galveston in 1947, and completed his internship in Iowa City, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, In October 1948, Dr. Leeves opened the David
Granberry Memorial Hospital in his hometown, in collaboration with
Dr. Charles Wise; together with a third partner, Dr. William King,
the pair established the East Texas Clinic in 1959 and, except for a
brief attempt at retirement in 1991, Dr. Leeves continued to
practice there for the next 45 years; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed physician has won widespread admiration not only for his professional accomplishments but also for his civic leadership; a former trustee with the Pewitt Consolidated Independent School District and coach of the Pewitt Brahma football team, he is a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church, which he presently serves as treasurer and finance committee member; moreover, with his wife, Peggy, he founded the Pewitt CISD Education Foundation, for which he is the newly elected board president; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Leeves has been justly recognized for his many 24 good works with a number of accolades; these have included

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- designation as Citizen of the Year by the Naples Chamber of Commerce
- 2 and a Lifetime Achievement Award, given jointly by the Naples and
- 3 Omaha chambers; in addition, he has been recognized by the Pewitt
- 4 CISD board, the Pewitt CISD Education Foundation, and the
- 5 Naples-Omaha Lions Club; and
- 6 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Dr. Leeves and the former
- 7 Peggy Forsyth enjoy a fulfilling marriage that began with the
- 8 exchange of their wedding vows in 1958; their cherished family
- 9 includes two children, Jane Ann and Jody Leeves, and two
- 10 grandchildren, Jessica and Joe Leeves; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Dr. James Stewart Leeves has
- 12 exemplified the highest ideals of the medical profession, and he
- 13 has earned a special place in the hearts of countless individuals
- 14 for his myriad contributions to the quality of life in Naples and
- 15 the surrounding area; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby commend Dr. James Stewart Leeves for his
- 18 exceptional medical career and tireless community service and
- 19 extend to him heartfelt best wishes for a rewarding retirement;
- 20 and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for Dr. Leeves as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 23 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 936 was adopted by the House on April 14, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House