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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

14           WHEREAS, This esteemed physician has won widespread  
15 admiration not only for his professional accomplishments but also  
16 for his civic leadership; a former trustee with the Pewitt  
17 Consolidated Independent School District and coach of the Pewitt  
18 Brahma football team, he is a lifelong member of the First United  
19 Methodist Church, which he presently serves as treasurer and  
20 finance committee member; moreover, with his wife, Peggy, he  
21 founded the Pewitt CISD Education Foundation, for which he is the  
22 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

1 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

16 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.