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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jack Bowen of Victoria retired from his post as vice
2 president and general manager of Fordyce, Ltd., a Texas-based sand
3 and gravel company, in December 2006; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Louisiana, Mr. Bowen moved with his family
5 to Texas and graduated from high school in Alto in Cherokee County
6 in 1942; he served his country for three years in the South Pacific
7 during World War II; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowen began working at Fordyce in 1971, when he
9 opened a Houston branch of the company to serve the upper Gulf Coast
10 region; in 1980 he relocated to the company's headquarters in
11 Victoria; and

12 WHEREAS, A leader in his field, Mr. Bowen has been a member of
13 numerous industry organizations; most notably, he has served on the
14 executive committee of the Texas Good Roads/Transportation
15 Association and has been its president since 2005; in addition, he
16 has taken an active role in the civic affairs of Victoria for more
17 than 25 years; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Bowen considers his family his greatest
19 accomplishment; he met his future wife, Peggy, when they were
20 students at Stephen F. Austin State University, and today the
21 couple has two children, Steve and Ted, as well as five
22 grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, Jack Bowen's distinguished career earned him the
24 lasting respect of his colleagues, and his many contributions to

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1 Fordyce and to the sand and gravel industry are indeed deserving of
2 recognition; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate Jack Bowen on his retirement and
5 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mr. Bowen as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.