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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Charles Greenawalt of Midland is retiring as
2 executive director of Region 18 Education Service Center in June
3 2009, concluding an outstanding tenure in education that has
4 spanned four decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Pecos, Mr. Greenawalt grew up in Port
6 Lavaca and went on to attend Texas A&I University, where he earned a
7 bachelor's degree in speech and history and a master's degree in
8 education administration; he began his career as a teacher in Alice
9 before accepting further responsibility in such roles as director
10 of community education in College Station and principal of A&M
11 Consolidated High School; he later served 20 years as
12 superintendent of school districts around the state, including
13 Joshua, Hereford, and Kingsville; and

14 WHEREAS, Although Mr. Greenawalt intended to retire in the
15 early 2000s, he could not pass up the opportunity to return to West
16 Texas and join the Region 18 Education Service Center; since then,
17 he has overseen an initiative to provide free e-mail and Internet
18 access to districts and helped develop a long-distance learning
19 program in partnership with The University of Texas of the Permian
20 Basin and Sul Ross State University; also under his leadership, the
21 center converted a Winnebago into a mobile computer lab that visits
22 school districts in the area; and

23 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Greenawalt enjoys the
24 love and support of his wife, Barbara, as well as their three

1 children; he is looking forward to spending more time with his
2 family, especially his seven grandchildren, as well as catching up
3 on his favorite hobby, fishing; and

4 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has demonstrated a commitment to
5 excellence in all of his professional endeavors, and his hard work
6 and dedication have significantly benefited many schoolchildren
7 across the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
9 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Charles
10 Greenawalt on his retirement as executive director of Region 18
11 Education Service Center and extend to him sincere best wishes for
12 continued happiness; and, be it further

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