By: Gattis H.R. No. 234

## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Walter Pond is planning to retire from his position
- 2 as superintendent of the Rockdale Independent School District
- 3 following the 2008-2009 school year, and in stepping down as
- 4 administrator of the district he will be bringing to a close a
- 5 notable career that has spanned nearly four decades; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Pond began his tenure with Rockdale ISD
- 7 immediately after completing his college studies; he taught as a
- 8 vocational agriculture instructor for 10 years and then
- 9 distinguished himself as an assistant principal, principal, and
- 10 director of maintenance and operations; and
- 11 WHEREAS, In 1988, the superintendent's job became open, and
- 12 Mr. Pond was selected out of 52 candidates by a unanimous vote of
- 13 the district's trustees; in all of the posts he has held over the
- 14 past 38 years, he has earned the respect and admiration of faculty,
- 15 parents, students, and staff; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Superintendent Pond's professionalism and
- 17 commitment to excellence have greatly benefited the residents of
- 18 Rockdale, and he may indeed reflect with pride on the exceptional
- 19 service he has provided to the school district as he prepares to
- 20 embark on the next exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be
- 21 it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby congratulate Walter Pond on his outstanding
- 24 career with the Rockdale Independent School District and extend to

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- 1 him sincere best wishes for continued happiness and success; and,
- 2 be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for Mr. Pond as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 5 House of Representatives.