

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant who has devoted two
2 decades to serving the residents of Walker County, James "Buddy"
3 Reynolds stepped down from his position as Precinct 3 commissioner
4 on December 31, 2008, and his retirement offers an opportunity to
5 pay tribute to the many accomplishments of this distinguished
6 Texan; and

7 WHEREAS, Buddy Reynolds began his tenure in government in
8 1989, and during his five terms as commissioner he addressed the
9 needs of Walker County through key infrastructural projects;
10 developing a long-term plan, he worked with his fellow officials to
11 pave as many roads as possible, and, in addition to achieving this
12 worthwhile goal, they revised the county map and began a
13 bridge-building program; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Reynolds brought to his position a wealth of
15 knowledge gained from years of construction experience; a native of
16 Midway, he attended Sam Houston State University, working as a
17 carpenter to pay for his education, and he went on to establish his
18 own construction company; and

19 WHEREAS, Living by the motto, "You're here only a short time,
20 so leave things better than you found them," Mr. Reynolds has helped
21 to build churches across the country and is currently helping to
22 plan a new community center for the First Missionary Baptist
23 Church; a valued congregant of University Heights Baptist Church,
24 he plans to travel to Alaska to build cabins for a children's camp

1 in 2009; and

2 WHEREAS, In all of his pursuits, Mr. Reynolds is sustained by
3 the love and support of his wife of 23 years, Sharon, and his
4 children, James, Murphy, and Annie; as he leaves the county
5 commissioner's office, Buddy Reynolds may look forward to spending
6 more time with his loved ones while taking justifiable pride in the
7 legacy of achievement he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend James "Buddy" Reynolds for his service
10 as Walker County commissioner and extend to him sincere best wishes
11 for continued success in all of his endeavors; and, be it further

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

Kolkhorst

H.R. No. 614

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 614 was adopted by the House on March 5, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House