

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Residents of Garland have greatly benefited from the  
2 dedicated leadership of John Willis since he was elected to the city  
3 council in May 2008; and

4           WHEREAS, During his tenure in municipal government,  
5 Councilmember Willis has ably guided the city with an eye to the  
6 future, and his knowledge and expertise in a wide range of community  
7 issues have earned him the respect of many people along the way; and

8           WHEREAS, A Garland native, Councilmember Willis earned a  
9 bachelor's degree in economics from The University of Texas at  
10 Austin and returned to his hometown after graduation, ultimately  
11 settling in the same neighborhood in which he was raised;  
12 professionally, he has worked with his father and older brother for  
13 many years building, remodeling, and roofing houses; and

14           WHEREAS, Councilmember Willis has renovated a number of older  
15 homes in the community and strives to preserve the charm and  
16 character of Garland's established neighborhoods; and

17           WHEREAS, He has further contributed to his community as a  
18 member of the Garland Board of Adjustment, the Chandler Heights  
19 Neighborhood Association, and the English Estates Neighborhood  
20 Vitality program; in addition, he has worked with the city to  
21 develop an ordinance to regulate rental homes in a fair manner; and

22           WHEREAS, Each day, public servants improve the quality of  
23 life for their fellow citizens in innumerable ways, and the efforts  
24 of John Willis are helping to make Garland an even better place in

1 which to live and work; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
3 Legislature hereby honor Councilmember John Willis for his  
4 outstanding civic service and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
5 continued success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 2419

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2419 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House