By: Kent H.R. No. 2419

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Garland have greatly benefited from the 2 dedicated leadership of John Willis since he was elected to the city council in May 2008; and 3 WHEREAS, During his tenure in municipal 4 government, 5 Councilmember Willis has ably guided the city with an eye to the future, and his knowledge and expertise in a wide range of community 6 7 issues have earned him the respect of many people along the way; and WHEREAS, A Garland native, Councilmember Willis earned a 8 9 bachelor's degree in economics from The University of Texas at Austin and returned to his hometown after graduation, ultimately 10 settling in the same neighborhood in which he was raised; 11 professionally, he has worked with his father and older brother for 12 many years building, remodeling, and roofing houses; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Councilmember Willis has renovated a number of older homes in the community and strives to preserve the charm and 15 16 character of Garland's established neighborhoods; and WHEREAS, He has further contributed to his community as a 17 member of the Garland Board of Adjustment, the Chandler Heights 18 Neighborhood Association, and the English Estates Neighborhood 19

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Vitality program; in addition, he has worked with the city to

develop an ordinance to regulate rental homes in a fair manner; and

life for their fellow citizens in innumerable ways, and the efforts

of John Willis are helping to make Garland an even better place in

WHEREAS, Each day, public servants improve the quality of

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- 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.