

By: Edwards

H.R. No. 2598

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rabbi Jack Segal is an outstanding leader whose
2 endeavors have made a positive difference in the Houston community
3 and beyond; and

4 WHEREAS, A graduate of New York University, the University of
5 Pittsburg, and Oregon State University, Rabbi Segal holds doctoral
6 degrees from Hebrew Union College and the University of Houston; he
7 was ordained at Mesivta Rabbi Chaim Berlin in 1954 and served as a
8 rabbi in Pennsylvania and Oregon before joining Congregation Beth
9 Yeshurun in Houston in 1965; and

10 WHEREAS, Rabbi Segal guided Beth Yeshurun for more than three
11 decades, including eight years as associate rabbi and 23 years as
12 senior rabbi; since his retirement in 1996, he has served as rabbi
13 emeritus and enjoyed a second career as the author of such books as
14 *When Man Closes Doors, God Opens Windows; Focus on the Bagel, Not on*
15 *the Hole*; and most recently, *Two Roads to God, The Moses Road and*
16 *The Jesus Road (The Differences Between Judaism and Christianity)*;
17 moreover, he has lectured on a variety of spiritual topics at area
18 universities and The University of Texas at Austin; and

19 WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman has further distinguished
20 himself as a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, Beta Beta Beta, Phi Delta
21 Kappa, the American Psychological Society, the National Council of
22 Family Relations, and other organizations; his professional
23 affiliations also include the Rabbinical Assembly, which he has
24 served as a member of its committee on law and standards; and

1 WHEREAS, Jack Segal has demonstrated great dedication to
2 Congregation Beth Yeshurun and to the wider community, and in so
3 doing, he has earned the heartfelt admiration of all who know him;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor Rabbi Jack Segal for his contributions to
7 his fellow citizens and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
8 future; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Rabbi Segal as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.