SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 898

In Memory of William Hatchell

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas pays tribute to the life of longtime county commissioner and transportation engineer William "Jack" Hatchell, who died June 28, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Jack Hatchell played a vital role in the development of the transportation system in North Central Texas; at the time of his death, he was serving his fifth consecutive term as county commissioner for Collin County; a graduate of Texas A&M University, he had earned bachelor's and master's degrees in civil engineering with specialization in traffic engineering and transportation planning and had served as an officer with the United States Army Transportation Corps; he had also served on the Plano City Council for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, A visionary leader, Mr. Hatchell was widely recognized for both his knowledge about transportation and his ability to bring interests together to achieve what was best for the region; he was a member of the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments for 17 years, serving as chairman in 2004 and 2005, and he was a member of the Executive Board from 1999 to 2005, serving as president in 2003 and 2004; and

WHEREAS, He was honored with numerous awards, including the 2008 William J. Pitstick Regional Excellence Award, which he received from the North Central Texas Council of Governments for his outstanding public service career and his proactive leadership on transportation issues; now, therefore, be it

leadership on transportation issues; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby honor the memory of William "Jack" Hatchell; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared to commemorate his life and legacy, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jack Hatchell.

Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 12, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate