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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable John A. Pope III, former state 2 district judge, has contributed to his profession and his community 3 throughout his distinguished legal career; and

WHEREAS, A native of Rio Grande City, Judge Pope earned his bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University and went on to graduate from St. Mary's University School of Law; respected in his field, he has served as regional vice president of the American Law Students Association and been a valued member of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Committee and Delta Theta Phi; and

10 WHEREAS, Judge Pope became state district judge of the 381st 11 Judicial District in 1995, and throughout the following decade his 12 knowledge and commitment to justice earned him the lasting respect 13 of all who were privileged to work with him; since retiring from the 14 bench in 2006, he has enjoyed a notable tenure with the law firm of 15 Atlas & Hall in McAllen; and

16 WHEREAS, This esteemed jurist has further helped to enrich 17 the lives of his fellow citizens as a charter member of his local 18 Rotary Club, and his efforts in behalf of the group have been 19 recognized with the Paul Smith Award; and

20 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Judge Pope has been 21 supported by a loving family that includes his wife, Ana Maria, and 22 his children, Mayela and John; and

23 WHEREAS, John Pope has served the State of Texas with great 24 skill and dedication, and his myriad good works have made a lasting,

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1 positive difference in his community; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend the Honorable John 4 A. Pope III for his exceptional contributions to the legal 5 profession and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued 6 success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Judge Pope as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 45 was adopted by the House on June 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House