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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Mike Rawlings was elected mayor of Dallas on June

2 18, 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his community, Mr. Rawlings has

4 served in numerous leadership roles in the Metroplex over the

5 years; while chairing the Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau, he

6 focused on bringing new revenue to the city, and during his tenure

7 as president of the Park and Recreation Board, he pioneered the use

8 of public-private partnerships to raise needed funds; as the chair

9 of the Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance from 2005 to 2010, he oversaw

10 the construction and opening of The Bridge, a facility in downtown

11 Dallas that provides both emergency and transition care and housing

12 for those in need; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawlings is an accomplished business executive

14 who has served with a number of notable companies, including Pizza

15 Hut, which he led from 1997 to 2003; previously, he spent 19 years

16 with the DDB Dallas Group, a marketing and advertising firm, where

 $17\,$ he was CEO, and he also helped to found the private equity firm CIC

18 Partners and was the chair and CEO of Legends Hospitality

19 Management; moreover, he has been a director or board member of a

20 number of other businesses and organizations; and

21 WHEREAS, A graduate of Boston College, Mr. Rawlings has

22 lectured widely and has taught at Southern Methodist University; he

23 has further shared his time and talents as a member of the boards of

24 the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and the Jesuit College

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- 1 Preparatory School of Dallas and is active in the Young Presidents'
- 2 Organization and the Dallas Citizens Council; his achievements have
- 3 been recognized with awards from the Dallas Historical Society, the
- 4 Anti-Defamation League, and St. Philip's School and Community
- 5 Center; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Rawlings enjoys the
- 7 love and support of his wife, Micki, and his children, Michelle and
- 8 Gunnar; he and his wife live in North Dallas and attend First
- 9 Presbyterian Church; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mike Rawlings brings extensive leadership
- 11 experience to his new post, and his achievements merit special
- 12 recognition; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 14 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Mike Rawlings
- 15 on his election as mayor of the City of Dallas and extend to him
- 16 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Mr. Rawlings as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 214 was adopted by the House on June 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House