

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 214

R E S O L U T I O N

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

13 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

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

13 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.