By: King of Parker

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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Melvin Simons retired as justice of
the peace for Precinct 4 in Parker County on December 31, 2010,
having served with distinction for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Judge Simons was first elected to his position in 1998, and he was repeatedly returned to office by the voters of his district; as he concluded his service, he was the oldest sitting justice of the peace in Texas; and

8 WHEREAS, This patriotic American was a member of the U.S. 9 Marines during World War II and saw duty in the battles for Peleliu 10 and Okinawa; and

11 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Judge Simons enjoys the 12 love and support of his wife, Billye, and his children, Patti 13 Clinton, Sylvia Simons, and Terry Simons; Judge Simons and his wife 14 are active members of Hilltop Baptist Church, having been part of 15 the congregation since 1972; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and compassion demonstrated by Judge Simons have positively influenced the lives of numerous individuals, particularly the many young people who appeared before his court; his accomplishments have made Parker County an even better place to live and work, and he is greatly appreciated by the residents that he has served so well; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Judge Melvin Simons on his retirement as justice of the peace for Precinct 4 of Parker County

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1 and extend to him sincere appreciation for his exemplary public 2 service; and, be it further

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3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 4 prepared for Judge Simons as an expression of high regard by the 5 Texas House of Representatives.

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