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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Steven E. Simmons, deputy executive director of the
2 Texas Department of Transportation, has demonstrated great
3 dedication to public service throughout a tenure with the agency
4 spanning nearly three decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Houston, Mr. Simmons earned his bachelor's
6 degree in civil engineering from the University of Houston in 1981,
7 and he joined the Northwest Harris/Waller Area Office of TxDOT as a
8 project manager the following year; he went on to become a licensed
9 professional engineer and was appointed deputy district engineer
10 for the Houston District in 1993; five years later, he was named
11 district engineer for the Fort Worth District, and under his
12 leadership, the staff won the annual Design Excellence Award for a
13 Metropolitan District three times in a row; moreover, he addressed
14 transit issues as a member of the Regional Transportation Council
15 of the North Central Texas Council of Governments; and

16 WHEREAS, He has served as his agency's deputy executive
17 director for almost 10 years; he is a member of the civil
18 engineering advisory boards for The University of Texas at
19 Arlington and the University of Houston, and in 2005, he became the
20 first recipient of the University of Houston Engineering Alumni
21 Association's Distinguished Young Engineering Alumnus Award to
22 also receive the school's Distinguished Engineering Alumnus Award;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Simmons enjoys the support

1 and encouragement of his wife, Lisa, and their children, Chris and
2 Phillip; he is an Eagle Scout and participates in scouting
3 activities with his two sons, and he also enjoys golf and
4 woodworking; and

5 WHEREAS, Through his hard work and commitment to excellence,
6 Steven Simmons has benefited the Texas Department of Transportation
7 and his fellow citizens, and it is indeed fitting to recognize his
8 contributions at this time; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
10 Legislature hereby honor Steven E. Simmons for his service to the
11 Texas Department of Transportation and extend to him sincere best
12 wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Simmons as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.