

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 1814

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, James Baugh is retiring as city manager of DeSoto in  
2 April 2011 after a distinguished 14-year tenure, providing a  
3 welcome opportunity to recognize his many career accomplishments;  
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5 WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, Jim  
6 Baugh earned a master's degree in public administration from  
7 Southwest Texas State University in 1976; he then served as an  
8 assistant city manager in San Marcos and in Greensboro, North  
9 Carolina, and over the next 10 years, served as city manager of San  
10 Marcos, Brownsville, and Longview; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Baugh was appointed city manager of DeSoto in  
12 1997, and he made open government and participation in regional  
13 cooperatives important goals of his administration; under his  
14 leadership, renovations were completed on the DeSoto town and  
15 senior centers and the central fire station, and he oversaw the  
16 construction of a new police station and town service center, the  
17 purchase of the historic Nance Farm, and the implementation of city  
18 equipment and vehicle replacement programs, a two-year budget  
19 forecasting system, and an employee recognition initiative;  
20 moreover, in 2006, DeSoto was named an All-America City by the  
21 National Civic League; and

22 WHEREAS, For nearly a decade and a half, Jim Baugh has served  
23 the citizens of DeSoto with great dedication, and his outstanding  
24 commitment to excellence has made his community an even better

1 place in which to live and work; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby honor James Baugh on the occasion of his  
4 retirement as city manager of DeSoto and extend to him sincere best  
5 wishes for the future; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for Mr. Baugh as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
8 House of Representatives.