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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Kent Shields is retiring as president and chief 2 executive officer of C. C. Young in June 2013, and it is most 3 fitting to take this opportunity to recognize him for his 4 impressive achievements; and

5 WHEREAS, A graduate of Wichita State University, Mr. Shields 6 served his country with distinction in the U.S. Air Force as a 7 transportation officer; during his 25-year military tenure, he 8 completed his MBA at the University of Oklahoma, and following his 9 retirement from the service, he returned to school, earning his 10 master's degree in gerontology from the University of North Texas; 11 and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Shields joined C. C. Young as an intern while he was working on his master's, and he was hired as an assistant 13 14 administrator in 1995; he went on to hold a number of prominent positions, including vice president, chief operations officer, and 15 16 interim president, before being named president in 2011; under his 17 able guidance, the company has undertaken important renovation and construction projects on Asbury Independent Living, The Point, and 18 The Overlook facilities; and 19

WHEREAS, This notable Texan has further served his profession on the boards of LeadingAge Texas, a state association, and Umphress Terrace, a low-income community in Pleasant Grove sponsored by C. C. Young; he has also contributed to the Military Officers Association of America in his role as secretary; and

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1 WHEREAS, Recognized by a loving family as the best husband, 2 dad, and grandpa in the world, Mr. Shields has shared 47 happy years 3 with his wife, Mary; they are the proud parents of three children 4 and doting grandparents of six grandchildren; and

5 WHEREAS, An expert harmonica player wannabe, king of karaoke, sometimes barista assistant, and all-around 6 big cheese, Mr. Shields is leaving a staff that will miss not only his 7 administrative abilities, but also his skill as an awards presenter 8 and his talent as grill master extraordinaire who has contributed 9 10 greatly to the fun of the annual picnics; along with all these attributes, his dedication, professionalism, and commitment to 11 excellence have greatly benefited C. C. Young, and he may indeed 12 reflect with pride on a career well spent as he embarks on the next 13 14 exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Kent Shields on his retirement as president and CEO of C. C. Young and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 20 prepared for Mr. Shields as an expression of high regard by the 21 Texas House of Representatives.

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