

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Owen William Bludau of Bay City is retiring as
2 executive director of the Matagorda County Economic Development
3 Corporation on June 28, 2013, following eight years of
4 distinguished service in that position; and

5 WHEREAS, Since joining the MCEDC, Mr. Bludau has been
6 dedicated to its mission of growing Matagorda County through the
7 recruitment of new industries and commercial businesses and the
8 expansion of existing businesses; under his able leadership, the
9 group helped to bring a manufacturing plant to the area, which
10 included a \$1.3 billion investment and the creation of 600 new jobs;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Known for his dedication to his work, he has
13 sacrificed holidays, weekends, and many late nights for the benefit
14 of his community, and in recognition of his exceptional efforts
15 with MCEDC, he earned the 2012 George Holst Award for contributions
16 to Matagorda County; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bludau is a graduate of The University of Texas
18 at Austin and a veteran of the U.S. Army; after completing a
19 master's program in urban and regional planning at Virginia Tech
20 University, he earned his master's degree in business
21 administration from Wake Forest University; his notable career has
22 included tenures in land use and development, environmental
23 planning, and military base economic redevelopment; and

24 WHEREAS, Owen Bludau has made a positive difference in the

1 lives of his fellow citizens, and he may take justifiable pride in a
2 job well done as he looks ahead to the next exciting chapter of his
3 life; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
5 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Owen William
6 Bludau on his retirement as executive director of the Matagorda
7 County Economic Development Corporation and extend to him sincere
8 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. Bludau as an expression of high regard by the Texas
11 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 225

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 225 was adopted by the House on June 25, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House