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H.R. No. 118

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Jerry Chapman is retiring as general manager of the  
2 Greater Texoma Utility Authority in 2013, concluding a  
3 distinguished tenure with the agency that has spanned more than  
4 three decades; and

5           WHEREAS, The authority's first general manager, Mr. Chapman  
6 took office in 1979, having helped form GTUA as executive director  
7 of the Texoma Council of Governments; he led TCOG, then known as  
8 the Texoma Regional Planning Commission, from 1968 to 1982; a  
9 graduate of Austin College, he also holds a master's degree in  
10 economics from the University of Oklahoma; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman has long worked effectively to ensure  
12 adequate water resources for the region; his persistence and broad  
13 knowledge of the regulatory organizational structure were key in  
14 securing the most recent reallocation of Lake Texoma water, a  
15 process that took 10 years and required engagement at both the state  
16 and federal levels; as a result of his efforts, he has placed the  
17 authority on a sound footing for financing, construction, and  
18 operation of water and wastewater infrastructure for years to come;  
19 and

20           WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan has contributed immeasurably to  
21 the quality of life enjoyed by residents of Sherman, Denison, and  
22 other area communities through his commitment to excellence and his  
23 skillful leadership of the GTUA, and as he prepares to embark on the  
24 next exciting chapter of his life, he may indeed take pride in a

1 career well spent; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
3 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Jerry Chapman  
4 on his retirement as general manager of the Greater Texoma Utility  
5 Authority and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
6 happiness; and, be it further

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