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H.R. No. 161

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, James M. Parks is concluding his notable tenure as
2 executive director of the North Texas Municipal Water District
3 after 15 years in that post; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Parks began working for the district in 1979 and
5 was promoted to its highest office in 1998; throughout his long and
6 productive tenure, he has demonstrated a sustained commitment to
7 excellence in meeting the needs of the 1.6 million people residing
8 in the 13 area member cities, who rely on the district for
9 high-quality drinking water, waste disposal, and wastewater
10 treatment; and

11 WHEREAS, Outside of his duties as executive director, he has
12 benefited the National Water Resources Association, which he has
13 served as president since 2012, and he currently chairs the Region C
14 Water Planning Group for the Texas Water Development Board; he has
15 further lent his insight as a board member for the American Water
16 Works Association, the Water Conservation Advisory Council, and the
17 American Public Works Association, which in 2005 named him
18 Professional Manager of the Year; and

19 WHEREAS, Through his outstanding stewardship of the North
20 Texas Municipal Water District, James Parks has made significant
21 contributions to the field of water resource management and the
22 profession of public works, and he may reflect with satisfaction on
23 all that he has achieved as he embarks on the next exciting chapter
24 of his life; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
2 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate James M. Parks
3 on his retirement as executive director of the North Texas
4 Municipal Water District and extend to him sincere best wishes for
5 the future; and, be it further

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