

By: Workman

H.C.R. No. 94

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Raleigh K. Roussell retired as president and CEO of
2 TEXO in December 2012, concluding an exceptional career in the
3 commercial building industry that spanned nearly half a century;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Roussell served for more than four decades with
6 TEXO, today the largest commercial contractors association in Texas
7 and one of the largest groups affiliated with the national
8 Associated Builders and Contractors and The Associated General
9 Contractors of America; and

10 WHEREAS, Early in his career, from 1968 to 1971, Mr. Roussell
11 served on the staff of the Dallas chapter of the Associated General
12 Contractors; after leaving for a time to work for one of the
13 organization's members, he returned to lead the Dallas AGC in 1976;
14 over the ensuing years, he continued to guide the staff as the
15 Dallas AGC merged with the Fort Worth AGC and then, in 2009, as that
16 organization joined with the North Texas chapter of Associated
17 Builders and Contractors to form TEXO; and

18 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has received a number of honors
19 for his outstanding work in behalf of his industry, including
20 induction into the Contractors Hall of Fame at Texas A&M University
21 and designation as an Honorary Life Member of the American
22 Institute of Architects; he has also earned the SIR Award from the
23 Associated General Contractors, the Industry Lifetime Achievement
24 Award from the Associated Schools of Construction, and the

1 Chairman's Award from the Black Contractors Association; and

2 WHEREAS, Active in his community as well, Mr. Rousell has
3 contributed to area development as a member of the Dallas 2000
4 Planning Committee and the Mayor's Task Force on Downtown Dallas;
5 his involvement with the Dallas Youth Services Corps Board,
6 Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, American Heart Association, and
7 Spring Valley Athletic Association has touched many lives, and he
8 has further given back as a member of the Texas A&M University Board
9 of Visitors and Custer Road United Methodist Church in Plano; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Rousell has been blessed with the support of a
11 loving family, which includes his wife of 48 years, Judith Hermann
12 Rousell, his two children, and his five grandchildren; and

13 WHEREAS, Raleigh Rousell has made an immeasurable
14 contribution to the commercial building industry in Texas, and he
15 may reflect with justifiable pride on his many accomplishments as
16 he looks forward to the next chapter of his life; now, therefore, be
17 it

18 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
19 hereby honor Raleigh K. Rousell on his distinguished career as the
20 chief executive of TEXO and extend to him sincere best wishes for
21 the future; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. Rousell as an expression of high regard by the
24 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.