

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Joe B. Allen retired on January 1, 2013, as a senior
2 partner with Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, drawing to a close
3 a distinguished tenure as an attorney that spanned more than four
4 and a half decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A graduate of Baylor University, where he earned
6 both his bachelor's and law degrees, Joe Allen began his career at
7 Naman, Howell, Smith & Chase in Waco in 1967; he joined Vinson &
8 Elkins in 1975 and went on to contribute to the firm's success for
9 nearly three decades; at ABHR, which he went to work for in 2003, he
10 focused on public finance and issues related to public
11 infrastructure; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen's expertise also extends to legislative
13 procedure, and he helped to draft and promote a number of critical
14 laws over the years; he dedicated much of his effort to reorganizing
15 and increasing the efficiency of special districts and to Texas
16 water resources management, and he was an active member of the
17 Association of Water Board Directors and the Utility District
18 Advisory Corporation along the way; and

19 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has further distinguished
20 himself through his involvement in such groups as the Arc of Fort
21 Bend County, the Boy Scouts of America, the Fort Bend Economic
22 Development Council, and numerous chambers of commerce; during
23 retirement, he looks forward to spending more time with his family,
24 including his wife of almost 36 years, Helen, as well as their four

1 children and nine grandchildren; in addition, he will enjoy having
2 the leisure to work at his Trinity "A" Ranch in Madison and Leon
3 Counties; and

4 WHEREAS, Committed to his clients, his profession, and the
5 betterment of the Lone Star State, Joe Allen has won the respect and
6 admiration of his colleagues and fellow citizens, and he may indeed
7 reflect with pride on his significant accomplishments; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Joe B. Allen on his retirement as
11 senior partner with Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP and extend
12 to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Allen as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.

Miller of Fort Bend

H.R. No. 664

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 664 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House