

By: Clardy

H.R. No. 876

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dr. Jere Langdon Jackson retired from the  
2 Nacogdoches County Historical Commission on December 31, 2012,  
3 concluding an outstanding tenure of more than four decades with  
4 that worthy organization; and

5           WHEREAS, Appointed to the commission in 1972, Dr. Jackson was  
6 tapped to serve as chair of the group just four years later; he  
7 continued to lead the commission for over 35 years, until 2008, and  
8 during that time, he was instrumental in securing some 50  
9 historical markers, which were installed at various sites around  
10 the county; and

11           WHEREAS, A historian by profession, this esteemed Texan  
12 joined the faculty at Stephen F. Austin State University in 1970; he  
13 teaches local and public history, among other subjects, and has  
14 served as director of the East Texas Research Center and as the  
15 official university historian; early in his career, he received an  
16 appointment to the first City of Nacogdoches Zoning Board, and  
17 while working with that body, he authored historic overlay  
18 ordinances for the community; and

19           WHEREAS, In 1976, Dr. Jackson was honored with the Governor's  
20 Special Service Award in the field of historic preservation; he has  
21 since received numerous other honors for his professional  
22 accomplishments, including designation as SFA Professor of the  
23 Year, Outstanding Teacher of the Year in Liberal Arts, and Regents  
24 Professor of History; and

1           WHEREAS, Through his dedicated stewardship, Dr. Jere Jackson  
2 has played a vital role in preserving the rich heritage of  
3 Nacogdoches County for future generations of Texans, and he may  
4 indeed reflect with pride on all he has done to promote awareness of  
5 the people, institutions, and varied forces that have shaped the  
6 county that area residents call home today; now, therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
8 Legislature hereby honor Dr. Jere Langdon Jackson for his 43 years  
9 of service on the Nacogdoches County Historical Commission and  
10 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and  
11 happiness; and, be it further

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