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H.R. No. 1393

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jim T. Brown has announced plans to retire at the end
2 of 2013, drawing to a close a notable tenure in public service that
3 has spanned more than six decades; and

4 WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mr. Brown has forged a varied and
5 highly esteemed career, during which he has provided expertise on
6 many aspects of municipal governance; in addition to serving as a
7 city manager in such communities as Eagle Pass and West University
8 Place, he helped to promote the responsible stewardship of water
9 resources as general manager of the Upper Guadalupe River Authority
10 and the Maverick County Water Control and Improvement District
11 Canal System; moreover, he held a seat on the board of the MoKan
12 Development Corporation, where he addressed issues in the roads and
13 transportation sector; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown graduated from Texas State
15 University--San Marcos in 1961, receiving a bachelor's degree in
16 business administration, and has since played a role in the
17 expansion of its campus as executive director of the Urban Renewal
18 Agency of San Marcos, where he specialized in land acquisition and
19 redevelopment; in addition, he has been an active supporter of the
20 university through his participation in its alumni association,
21 which he has served as president, and in 2003 he was recognized for
22 his long-standing contributions with designation as a
23 Distinguished Alumnus; and

24 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan has drawn on his leadership and

1 management experience in his efforts to make housing accessible to
2 all Texans; he backed a number of important programs that have
3 helped to bolster the state's capacity to offer quality, safe, and
4 affordable developments for tens of thousands of citizens,
5 including working families and seniors, and his committed advocacy
6 has earned him standing as a prominent voice within the industry;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown has further devoted himself to a range of
9 civic and community organizations, including serving as Worthy
10 Grand Master of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, a group with a membership
11 numbering 200,000; and

12 WHEREAS, The continued prosperity of the Lone Star State
13 depends in large part on the responsible action of its citizens, and
14 through his many public-spirited achievements, Jim Brown sets a
15 notable example of leadership and volunteerism for all Texans to
16 follow; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
18 Legislature hereby congratulate Jim T. Brown on his forthcoming
19 retirement and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
20 happiness; and, be it further

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