By: Carter

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dan Johnson was appointed city manager by the
Richardson City Council on June 1, 2012; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson's experience in public administration 4 spans 35 years, including more than a decade as city manager and 5 deputy city manager in Carrollton and tenures as director of 6 regional services for the North Central Texas Council of 7 Governments and as a budget officer in Sherman; and

8 WHEREAS, Appointed deputy city manager of Richardson in 1997, 9 Mr. Johnson served in that position for 15 years; during that time, 10 he also served as chief operating officer and was instrumental in 11 the city's success in securing top credit ratings from both 12 Standard & Poor's and Moody's, a distinction shared by only four 13 other Texas cities and by less than seven percent of cities 14 nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson has contributed significantly to the 15 16 growth of the local economy by developing recruitment and support strategies for business interests, including such major employers 17 as Texas Instruments, Bank of America, and Renaissance Hotels; he 18 served as project manager for the Eisemann Center for Performing 19 20 Arts and Corporate Presentations at Galatyn Park, and he has been 21 active in efforts to spur redevelopment along Central Expressway and the West Spring Valley Corridor, as well as in the vicinity of 22 23 the Bush Turnpike Station; Mr. Johnson has additionally been instrumental in attracting new headquarters and operating centers 24

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1 for a number of leading companies, among them Cisco Systems, Blue 2 Cross Blue Shield of Texas, AT&T, Samsung, and United Healthcare; 3 and

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4 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan holds a bachelor's degree in 5 political science from Austin College and a master's degree in public administration from the University of North Texas; he is 6 also a graduate of the Public Executive Institute of the Lyndon B. 7 8 Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin; Dan Johnson is a past president of the North Texas City 9 10 Management Association and the Urban Management Assistants of North Texas (UMANT), as well as a former director-at-large of the Texas 11 12 City Management Association; and

13 WHEREAS, Frequently honored for his accomplishments, Mr. 14 Johnson has received the Administrator of the Year award from the 15 Texas Municipal Library Directors Association and the Joy Sansom 16 Mentor Award from UMANT; in 1995, he was named a Distinguished 17 Alumnus by the Department of Public Administration at the 18 University of North Texas; and

WHEREAS, Dan Johnson has amassed an impressive record of achievement over the course of his career, and the experience that he has gained is certain to be of great benefit as he continues to serve the citizens of Richardson; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Dan Johnson on his appointment as city manager of Richardson and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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prepared for Mr. Johnson as an expression of high regard by the
Texas House of Representatives.