RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The staff of the Texas Municipal League in Austin
- 2 bade farewell to an esteemed colleague and dear friend on March 8,
- 3 2013, when Laurie Dodson retired after more than 20 years of
- 4 service; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The former city secretary of Duncanville, Ms. Dodson
- 6 was a longtime member of the Texas Municipal League before joining
- 7 the organization's staff in 1991 as controller; with her subsequent
- 8 appointment to the position of director of administrative services,
- 9 she helped to expand the administrative department during a
- 10 transformative period for the league and its staff, data system,
- 11 and office location; nearly a decade into her tenure with TML, she
- 12 took on new duties as the information services coordinator before
- 13 ultimately settling into the role of member services coordinator in
- 14 2006; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Ms. Dodson found great fulfillment in her
- 16 responsibilities managing Texas Town & City, TML's magazine, along
- 17 with her work with surveys, specialized research and reports,
- 18 directories, and advertising space; she also enjoyed getting to
- 19 know many elected city officials and other TML members along the
- 20 way; and
- 21 WHEREAS, This esteemed professional earned the respect and
- 22 admiration of her colleagues for her expertise, work ethic, and
- 23 resourcefulness; as the Annie Laurie ventures into retirement, she
- 24 will be surrounded by her loving family and friends, including her

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- 1 husband, Captain Dan, her four children, Fred, Dick, Lance, and
- 2 Cheryl, the entire Captain Dan tailgate extravaganza, and, last but
- 3 not least, the sweetest granddaughter on earth, Raegan Anne, also
- 4 known as the Mini Annie Laurie; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Laurie Dodson demonstrated great skill and
- 6 dedication in all her endeavors with the Texas Municipal League,
- 7 and she may indeed take pride in her many years of outstanding
- 8 service as she looks forward to the next exciting chapter of her
- 9 life; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Laurie Dodson on her retirement
- 12 from the Texas Municipal League and extend to her sincere best
- 13 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Ms. Dodson as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 16 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2445 was adopted by the House on ${\tt May}$ 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House