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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Sally Bird is retiring as president and CEO of the  
2 Greenville Chamber of Commerce/Convention & Visitors Bureau on June  
3 14, 2013, drawing to a close a notable career as a chamber  
4 professional that has spanned nearly three decades; and

5           WHEREAS, Since joining the Greenville Chamber in June 2005,  
6 Mrs. Bird has worked tirelessly to make the city an even better  
7 place in which to live and work; she was instrumental in such new  
8 initiatives as the Business Expo, the Economic Forecast Breakfast,  
9 the Wake Up to the Issues series, and Rally 'Round Greenville; this  
10 dedicated executive also helped the organization to expand the  
11 Leadership Hunt County program and to establish the Leadership  
12 Alumni Association, and her astute guidance allowed the chamber to  
13 continue to thrive during a challenging economic period; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Bird has drawn on a broad range of experience;  
15 after growing up in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and Bradenton,  
16 Florida, she earned a bachelor's degree from Millersville  
17 University and worked as a teacher and a community relations  
18 specialist in Pennsylvania; in 1985, she began a 12-year tenure  
19 with the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry, distinguishing  
20 herself in several different positions, and she went on to serve as  
21 president of the Berwick Area Chamber of Commerce and as vice  
22 president of the Main Line Chamber of Commerce before relocating to  
23 Greenville; active in numerous professional and business  
24 associations, she has garnered awards from the American Chamber of

1 Commerce Executives and from Women in Communications; and

2 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, she enjoys the love and  
3 support of her husband, Craig, and the couple plan to remain deeply  
4 involved in the local community in the years ahead; and

5 WHEREAS, Sally Bird has served the citizens and businesses of  
6 Greenville with remarkable ability and commitment, and she may  
7 indeed reflect with pride on her notable record of achievement as  
8 she begins the next exciting chapter of her life; now, therefore, be  
9 it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
11 Legislature, hereby congratulate Sally Bird on her retirement as  
12 president and CEO of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce/Convention  
13 & Visitors Bureau and extend to her sincere best wishes for the  
14 future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for Mrs. Bird as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
17 House of Representatives.