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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Carolyn Jones is retiring as mayor of
- 2 Winnsboro in May 2013, drawing to a close an exemplary 12-year
- 3 tenure in office; and
- 4 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Winnsboro, Carolyn Jones
- 5 first developed an interest in local government while attending
- 6 city council meetings in 1995; she went on to contribute to the area
- 7 chamber of commerce and, just prior to running for office, helped to
- 8 found the Winnsboro Center for the Arts; her early civic
- 9 involvement further included memberships in the Winnsboro Economic
- 10 Development Corporation, the planning and zoning board, and the
- 11 Winnsboro Humane Society, for which she played a vital role in
- 12 raising funds to open a new shelter; and
- WHEREAS, The longest-serving mayor in the history of
- 14 Winnsboro, Mrs. Jones won election in 2001, and has since shared
- 15 her insight on a number of boards while overseeing substantial
- 16 infrastructure improvements; she recommended having a wastewater
- 17 plant retrofitted rather than replaced, thereby saving the city
- 18 \$1.5 million, and she oversaw the highly successful
- 19 sesquicentennial celebration in 2004, as well as Winnsboro's
- 20 designations as a Main Street City and a Certified Retirement
- 21 Community; and
- WHEREAS, Mayor Jones has additionally given of her time as
- 23 president of Region 15 of the Texas Municipal League, pageant chair
- 24 of Miss Texas, and a member of the Autumn Trails Board of Directors;

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- 1 recognized for her exceptional efforts, she was voted Woman of the
- 2 Year in 2001 and as Volunteer of the Year in 2000; and
- 3 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan is an alumna of Southern
- 4 Methodist University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in
- 5 elementary education, prior to pursuing postgraduate studies at
- 6 Texas A&M University--Commerce; before turning her attention to
- 7 politics, she enjoyed a career as a teacher and later as an office
- 8 manager and x-ray technician; she was married to J. D. Jones, owner
- 9 of the Winnsboro Livestock Sale Barn, for more than 50 years before
- 10 his passing; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Carolyn Jones has done much to shape the growth and
- 12 development of the city of Winnsboro, and she may reflect with pride
- 13 on the invaluable service that she has rendered; now, therefore, be
- 14 it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Carolyn Jones on her
- 17 retirement as mayor of Winnsboro and extend to her sincere best
- 18 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for Mayor Jones as an expression of high regard by the
- 21 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 3038 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House