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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Honorable E. J. King of Angleton retired as
- 2 Brazoria County Judge on December 31, 2014, concluding an
- 3 outstanding record of public service in behalf of his fellow
- 4 citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A member of the Anahuac High School Class of 1962,
- 6 "Joe" King was a security agent in the U.S. Army for two years and
- 7 went on to earn an associate's degree in law enforcement from Alvin
- 8 Community College in 1974 and a bachelor's degree in administration
- 9 of criminal justice from the University of Houston--Clear Lake in
- 10 1977; and
- 11 WHEREAS, First elected Brazoria County Judge in 2006, Judge
- 12 King served with notable dedication throughout his tenure; he
- 13 brought to the position a wide range of experience that he gained
- 14 through an impressive career in law enforcement, which included
- 15 nearly a quarter-century as Brazoria County Sheriff, as well as
- 16 service as a trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety, a
- 17 lieutenant with the Brazoria Police Department, and a law
- 18 enforcement instructor at Brazosport Community College; he also
- 19 completed training at the FBI National Academy in Quantico,
- 20 Virginia, in 1986; and
- 21 WHEREAS, He has additionally held leadership roles in
- 22 numerous professional organizations, among them the Brazoria
- 23 County Peace Officers Association, the Southeast Texas Association
- 24 for Identification and Investigation Officers, the Southeast Texas

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- 1 Police Chiefs Association, and the Sheriffs' Association of Texas;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, Judge King further distinguished himself by giving
- 4 of his time and talents to a number of civic groups and other worthy
- 5 causes; he served as director of the Brazoria County Association
- 6 for Citizens with Handicaps (BACH), ActionS, Inc., of Brazoria
- 7 County, the local Red Cross, the Brazoria County Cattlemen's
- 8 Association, and the Brazoria County Fair Association, and he has
- 9 also been active in the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers
- 10 Association, the American Legion, and the 100 Club of Brazoria
- 11 County; he is a valued congregant of Most Holy Trinity Catholic
- 12 Church; and
- 13 WHEREAS, In recognition of his contributions to his
- 14 profession and his community, Judge King was presented with the
- 15 2011 Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of
- 16 Houston--Clear Lake, the 2007 Outstanding Alumnus Award from the
- 17 Alvin Community College Alumni Association, and the 2004
- 18 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Bay Area Council of the Boy
- 19 Scouts of America; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Joe King has made countless positive and lasting
- 21 contributions through his service in Brazoria County, and he truly
- 22 merits special recognition for his achievements; now, therefore, be
- 23 it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 25 Legislature hereby honor E. J. "Joe" King, former Brazoria County
- 26 Judge, and extend to him sincere best wishes for much happiness in
- 27 his well-deserved retirement; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for Judge King as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 3 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 694 was adopted by the House on March 3, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House