

By: Bonnen of Brazoria

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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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.