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H.R. No. 1684

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Conley Todd Jr. retired as senior vice president of
2 First Financial Bank in Newton on March 31, 2015, concluding an
3 exemplary career in banking that has spanned five and a half
4 decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A member of the Newton High School Class of 1958,
6 Conley Todd graduated with a bachelor of business administration
7 degree from Lamar University in 1962; he subsequently attended the
8 Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist
9 University and the American Bankers Association National
10 Commercial Lending School at the University of Oklahoma; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Todd began working in the banking industry at
12 First Security National Bank in Beaumont in 1960, when he was a
13 junior in college; hired in 1962 by IBM as a data processing
14 representative, he returned to First Security National in 1966 as
15 vice president of marketing data processing services; eight years
16 later, he assumed the reins of Citizens National Bank as president;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, In 1981, Mr. Todd went into business for himself as
19 a consultant, providing such services as loan review, capital
20 planning, policy writing, training, and due diligence studies;
21 while continuing in that role for more than two decades, he also
22 held management positions at a number of banks; he became the
23 southwest regional manager of Hibernia National Bank in Orange in
24 1998, and he went on to serve as interim president of Mauriceville

1 National Bank in 2002 and as senior vice president of Orange Savings
2 Bank later that year before accepting the position of senior vice
3 president of First Financial Bank; and

4 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan has further distinguished
5 himself through his involvement in a variety of professional and
6 community organizations; he has held membership in the Independent
7 Bankers Association of Texas, the American Bankers Association, and
8 the Sabine-Neches Bankers Association, and he has given generously
9 of his time and talents in behalf of the Newton Lions Club, the
10 Newton Chamber of Commerce, the Deep East Texas Development
11 Association, Rotary Club International, and Boys' Haven; moreover,
12 he is a valued congregant of First United Methodist Church of
13 Newton; and

14 WHEREAS, Retirement will undoubtedly afford Mr. Todd the
15 opportunity to spend more time with his beloved family, including
16 his wife of 52 years, Gadelle Todd, his daughters, Meredith and Amy,
17 and his six grandchildren, as well as to indulge in his favorite
18 leisure activities of golfing, hunting, fishing, cooking, and
19 traveling; and

20 WHEREAS, Throughout his banking career, Conley Todd upheld
21 the highest standards of his profession, earning the respect of
22 colleagues and customers alike, and he may indeed reflect with
23 pride on a job well done as he embarks on the next exciting chapter
24 of his life; now, therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
26 Legislature hereby congratulate Conley Todd Jr. on his retirement
27 from First Financial Bank and extend to him sincere best wishes for

1 the future; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for Mr. Todd as an expression of high regard by the Texas
4 House of Representatives.