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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Archie Abrameit retired from his position as manager
- 2 of the Stiles Farm Foundation in Thrall on March 31, 2015, and the
- 3 conclusion of his notable career provides a fitting opportunity to
- 4 recognize him; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The 2,600-acre Stiles Farm is part of the Texas A&M
- 6 AgriLife Extension Service; the farm serves as a research and
- 7 teaching platform through its crop production and cattle herd, and
- 8 it assists farmers in the unique Blacklands soil region of Central
- 9 and South Texas with new farming practices; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Abrameit began managing the Stiles Farm
- 11 Foundation in 1997; in addition to supervising daily operations, he
- 12 worked on long-term projects, such as development of the calf-cow
- 13 program and conservation tillage research activities; he also
- 14 helped create partnerships with equipment companies, and he oversaw
- 15 the annual field day events, which draw approximately 400 producers
- 16 from the Blacklands region and across Texas, as well as from other
- 17 states; and
- WHEREAS, Before joining Stiles Farm, Mr. Abrameit spent 19
- 19 years running the Luling Foundation farm, and he also taught
- 20 agriculture in the La Grange and Seguin Independent School
- 21 Districts for a number of years; he received his bachelor's degree
- 22 in agricultural education from Texas A&M University, where he also
- 23 earned a fellowship to pursue a master's degree; and
- WHEREAS, In retirement, Mr. Abrameit and his wife, Virginia,

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- 1 look forward to returning to their historic home farm in South
- 2 Texas, near Goliad and Victoria; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Archie Abrameit's dedication, professionalism, and
- 4 commitment to excellence have greatly benefited his fellow Texans,
- 5 and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent; now,
- 6 therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby congratulate Archie Abrameit on his retirement
- 9 from the Stiles Farm Foundation and extend to him sincere best
- 10 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Mr. Abrameit as an expression of high regard by the
- 13 Texas House of Representatives.