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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Grand Prairie city manager Tom Hart has been named
2 Public Administrator of the Year by the North Texas chapter of the
3 American Society for Public Administration; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Hart has been the community's city manager for
5 16 years, and under his leadership, the city has been included on
6 the "Best Places to Live" list published by *Money* magazine, earned a
7 "Playful City USA" designation from the national nonprofit KaBOOM!,
8 and earned "Best in Nation" status for its parks from the National
9 Recreation and Parks Association; in addition, Mr. Hart has played
10 a vital role in the construction of the Verizon Theatre, the AirHogs
11 Ballpark, the Ruthe Jackson Center and Gardens, the Public Safety
12 Building, the Summit Active Adult Center, the Grand Prairie
13 Memorial Gardens, the Prairie Paws Animal Adoption Center, and the
14 Municipal Court Building, as well as the forthcoming waterpark,
15 recreation center, and library; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Hart was previously a city manager in Euless and
17 Denison, and at the age of 23, he was The Colony's first city
18 manager; he is a cofounder of the Grand Prairie Rotary Club's annual
19 charity golf tournament, and he serves on the board of the Lone Star
20 Park Charitable Foundation; his previous awards include the Zeus
21 Man of the Year Award from the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce,
22 the Texas City Management Association Mentoring Award, and the
23 NAACP President's Award; and

24 WHEREAS, Tom Hart's dedication, professionalism, and

1 commitment to public service have greatly benefited the citizens of
2 Grand Prairie, and he may indeed take great pride in this
3 prestigious award from his professional peers; now, therefore, be
4 it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Grand Prairie city manager Tom Hart
7 on being named the 2015 Public Administrator of the Year by the
8 North Texas chapter of the American Society for Public
9 Administration and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
10 future; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. Hart as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.