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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, @SupremeCourt_Tx justice Don Willett is proving to
2 be a lively and engaging presence on Twitter, 140 characters at a
3 time #sharpwit; and

4 WHEREAS, @nytimes quotes the American Bar Association
5 @ABAesq as saying that the judicious use of social media is "a
6 valuable tool for public outreach" #nopunintended; and

7 WHEREAS, Known as "the Tweeting Judge," @JusticeWillett has
8 more than 15,000 followers and has shared nearly 16,000 tweets
9 #stepawayfromtheiPhone; and

10 WHEREAS, @JusticeWillett is probably the most prolific judge
11 on Twitter, which even he admits is "like being the tallest munchkin
12 in Oz" #prettylowbar; and

13 WHEREAS, Embracing a wide range of social media discourse,
14 @JusticeWillett tweets everything from family news to Baylor
15 football to cat pictures #adorable; and

16 WHEREAS, @JusticeWillett's highly entertaining tweets can be
17 self-deprecating, gently satirical, or just plain goofy
18 #dogplayingacowbell #nokidding; and

19 WHEREAS, His Twitter feed has won him notice from the
20 national media and a nomination for the @statesman Social Media
21 Award from the *Austin American-Statesman*; and

22 WHEREAS, What comes through most strongly is
23 @JusticeWillett's warmth, his deep respect for the law, and his
24 abiding love for #Texas; and

1 WHEREAS, From his charming cartoon avatar to his expertly
2 calibrated jokes, @JusticeWillett has proven himself to be a master
3 of social media; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th
5 #txlege hereby recognize Justice Don Willett as the Tweeter
6 Laureate of #Texas; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for @JusticeWillett as an expression of high regard by the
9 #TexasHouse of Representatives.