By: Collier H.R. No. 275

## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Roy C. Brooks, Tarrant County Commissioner for
- 2 Precinct 1, was named president of the National Association of
- 3 Counties on July 24, 2017; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1935, the National Association of
- 5 Counties brings together county officials from across the country
- 6 to exchange ideas, build leadership skills, advocate national
- 7 policy issues, and increase the public's understanding of local
- 8 government; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks has been active in the association since
- 10 1991, and he most recently served as chair of its Large Urban County
- 11 Caucus; over the years, he has been a member of the group's board of
- 12 directors, and he has chaired the Health Reform Subcommittee of its
- 13 Health Steering Committee as well as the Healthy Counties
- 14 Initiative Advisory Board; and
- WHEREAS, This notable Texan was elected a Tarrant County
- 16 commissioner in 2004, and since taking office, he has supported a
- 17 range of causes related to health care access, infant mortality,
- 18 obesity, criminal justice reform, mental health, and AIDS
- 19 awareness; he has also played a vital role in the Tarrant County
- 20 Ex-Offender Re-Entry Program, the Nurse Family Partnership, and the
- 21 Blue Ribbon Task Force on Health Care for the Homeless, and he is
- 22 the founder of the Generation Hope Laptop Program, a college
- 23 preparatory initiative targeting middle school students; moreover,
- 24 he gives of his time and talents as chair of the National

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- 1 Organization of Black County Officials, and he is a longtime
- 2 congregant at Morningside United Methodist Church; and
- WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Brooks enjoys the love and
- 4 support of his wife, Dr. Jennifer Giddings Brooks, and he is the
- 5 proud father of a daughter, Royce, and a son, Marion; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Roy Brooks has demonstrated an exemplary commitment
- 7 to public service, and the vision and breadth of experience he
- 8 brings to his new role as president of the National Association of
- 9 Counties are sure to greatly benefit the organization; now,
- 10 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Roy Brooks on
- 13 his election as president of the National Association of Counties
- 14 and extend to him sincere best wishes for a successful tenure; and,
- 15 be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Mr. Brooks as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 18 House of Representatives.