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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Richard Sanders will retire as Henderson County
- 2 judge on December 31, 2018, drawing to a close eight years of
- 3 outstanding service to the citizens of the county; and
- WHEREAS, First elected in 2010, Judge Sanders has served two
- 5 terms as presiding officer of the commissioners court, and during
- 6 his exemplary tenure, he and his colleagues have managed the myriad
- 7 responsibilities of county government without raising the tax rate;
- 8 other accomplishments during his time as judge include entering
- 9 into contracts to keep the county's energy costs low and overseeing
- 10 the move of several county offices to the courthouse annex; he also
- 11 played a leading role in developing a policy for the care of
- 12 patients with mental disabilities at the local hospital; and
- WHEREAS, Before entering public office, Mr. Sanders gained
- 14 valuable expertise during his 20-year career as a home builder and
- 15 real estate developer; his deep knowledge of the county, its
- 16 citizens, and their needs was also greatly enhanced by his six years
- 17 as East Texas regional director for U.S. Representative Jeb
- 18 Hensarling; and
- 19 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Sanders has enjoyed the
- 20 love and support of his wife, Cathy, and the other members of his
- 21 family; and
- 22 WHEREAS, The dedication, leadership, and integrity
- 23 demonstrated by Richard Sanders have greatly benefited the
- 24 residents of Henderson County and earned him the respect and

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- 1 admiration of his peers, and as he enters into the remaining months
- 2 of his final term, he may indeed reflect with pride on his many
- 3 achievements as the county's chief executive officer; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 6 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Richard
- 7 Sanders on his retirement as Henderson County judge and extend to
- 8 him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Judge Sanders as an expression of high regard by the
- 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 355 was adopted by the House on August 15, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House