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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A. C. Gonzalez is retiring as city manager of Dallas
 in January 2017, drawing to a close an outstanding career in public
 service; and

WHEREAS, After earning his bachelor's degree from The University of Texas at Austin, Mr. Gonzalez went on to receive a master's degree in urban studies from Trinity University; in 1974, at age 23, he became one of the youngest city managers in the country when he began his career in Dilley; and

9 WHEREAS, He led city governments in Carrizo Springs and San 10 Marcos until he embarked on his notable tenure with the City of 11 Dallas in 1988 as assistant city manager; he further honed his 12 administrative skills as deputy superintendent and superintendent 13 of the Austin Independent School District and as president of a 14 privately owned investment company before returning to Dallas in 15 2006; and

WHEREAS, On January 21, 2014, after seven months as interim 16 city manager, Mr. Gonzalez was officially appointed to the office 17 of Dallas city manager; over the course of his 17 years in Dallas 18 city government, this esteemed Texan has overseen a number of major 19 projects, including development of the Omni Dallas Convention 20 21 Center Hotel, management of the Love Field modernization program, and negotiations of the Dallas Stars Reunion Arena lease, which 22 brought the professional sports franchise to the city; he also 23 24 advocated for a federal grant that expanded streetcars in the

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1 downtown area and was responsible for expanding the city's tax base 2 through numerous development projects; and

3 WHEREAS, With his skill, dedication, and vision, 4 A. C. Gonzalez has made Dallas an even better place in which to 5 live, and his achievements will continue to benefit his fellow 6 residents in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
8 Legislature hereby honor A. C. Gonzalez on his retirement as city
9 manager of Dallas and extend to him sincere best wishes for
10 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 45 was adopted by the House on February 23, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House