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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Mark Huddleston retired as county commissioner for 2 Precinct 1 of Chambers County on December 31, 2016, drawing to a 3 close a notable tenure in that office that spanned nearly a quarter 4 of a century; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Beaumont, Mr. Huddleston graduated from 6 Allen Military Academy and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from 7 Texas A&M University; following college, he moved to Winnie to work 8 with his father on the family rice farm; and

9 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was first elected to the 10 Chambers County Commissioners Court in 1992, and he ultimately 11 served on the court for six consecutive terms; during his tenure, 12 he played an instrumental role in the establishment of Chambers 13 County Emergency Services District No. 1, an achievement in which 14 he takes particular pride; and

WHEREAS, A longtime community leader, Mr. Huddleston has 15 also served on the boards of the Winnie Rice Farmers Co-Operative 16 17 Association, the Devers Canal System, and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, as well as on the St. Louis 18 Catholic Church Pastoral Council; he has received the Community 19 Builder Award from the Winnie-Stowell Masonic Lodge, and he has 20 been repeatedly honored by the Texas Rice Festival, which has named 21 him Young Farmer of the Year and twice selected him as parade 22 23 marshal; and

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WHEREAS, Throughout his years on the commissioners court,

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Mark Huddleston demonstrated knowledgeable leadership and a deep concern for the public interest, and he may indeed reflect with great pride on all that he has accomplished in behalf of his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 6 Legislature hereby honor Mark Huddleston for his committed public 7 service as Chambers County commissioner for Precinct 1 and extend 8 to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for Mr. Huddleston 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. 305 was adopted by the House on February 23, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House