By: Wray H.R. No. 1189

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Steven F. Chapman is retiring as Waxahachie city 2 attorney in 2017, concluding a distinguished tenure in municipal

government that has spanned more than half a century; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Waxahachie High School, Steve Chapman

5 earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Southern

6 Methodist University and a juris doctor degree from the SMU School

7 of Law; in 1965, he joined the family law firm, Chapman & Chapman,

8 which was established by his father in 1929, and over the years, he

9 has practiced in a wide range of legal fields, including business,

10 real estate, municipal, and wills, probate, and estate planning

11 law; and

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12 WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman began his career in public service with

his appointment as municipal court judge of Waxahachie in December

1966, and the following year, he took on the role of city attorney;

15 over the course of five decades in that position, he has ably

16 represented the municipality in a host of legal matters while

17 performing myriad other duties related to local government affairs;

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WHEREAS, Despite his busy professional life, Mr. Chapman has

20 benefited his community as chair of Baylor Medical Center at

21 Waxahachie and the Sims Library and as president of the Ellis County

22 Museum, Historic Waxahachie, Inc., the Waxahachie Foundation, and

23 the local Rotary Club; the recipient of numerous accolades, he was

24 named Outstanding Citizen of the Year by the Waxahachie Chamber of

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- 1 Commerce in 1989; and
- WHEREAS, Steve Chapman has made a lasting, positive
- 3 difference in Waxahachie through his exemplary service as city
- 4 attorney, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his many
- 5 accomplishments as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of his
- 6 life; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby congratulate Steven F. Chapman on his retirement
- 9 as Waxahachie city attorney and extend to him sincere best wishes
- 10 for the future; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Mr. Chapman as an expression of high regard by the
- 13 Texas House of Representatives.