## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Bill Woody retired as justice of the peace for Ellis County Precinct 1 on March 30 , 2017, drawing to a close an exemplary tenure with the county that spanned more than a quarter century; and

WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Army, Bill Woody served in the Vietnam War before signing on with the Dallas Fire Department, where he worked for 30 years; in 1991, he began his career with Ellis County as the Precinct 1 constable, a position he held for eight years, until his election as justice of the peace; and

WHEREAS, Judge Woody distinguished himself through his dedicated efforts as a county official; as constable, he took a special interest in making a positive difference in the lives of the young people he encountered in his duties, and his accomplished work as justice of the peace earned the widespread appreciation of his colleagues and the public; and

WHEREAS, In addition to fulfilling his professional responsibilities, this esteemed Texan is active in the American Legion, and he is a 32 nd degree Mason; in retirement, he is looking forward to embarking on trips to Alaska and numerous other parts of the country; and

WHEREAS, Judge Woody greatly benefited his fellow citizens through his commitment to upholding the highest standards of his office, and as he begins the next exciting chapter of his life, he may take justifiable pride in his many contributions to Ellis
County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Bill Woody on his retirement as justice of the peace for Ellis County Precinct 1 and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

