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H.R. No. 2251

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Patrick Wallace is retiring as the administrator of
2 East Texas Medical Center of Athens in March 2017, drawing to a
3 close an exemplary tenure that has spanned more than a quarter
4 century; and

5 WHEREAS, After serving as the administrator of Graham General
6 Hospital for a decade, Pat Wallace joined the administration at
7 ETMC Athens in 1988, just two years after the hospital opened; in
8 the ensuing decades, he supported its tremendous growth, and his
9 outstanding efforts have had a positive impact on the community at
10 large, as health care constitutes a major industry in Athens; and

11 WHEREAS, Under his skilled leadership, the ETMC Athens
12 medical staff has expanded twofold, with 45 doctors representing a
13 variety of specialties, including family medicine, obstetrics,
14 cardiology, gastroenterology, and orthopedics; Mr. Wallace also
15 oversaw a renovation and expansion project that doubled the size of
16 the hospital building in 2011, and he played a key role in the
17 construction of a new gastrointestinal lab as well as ETMC Cedar
18 Creek Lake, a 30,000 square-foot outpatient facility in south
19 Henderson County; and

20 WHEREAS, Through his professionalism, expertise, and
21 tireless work, Patrick Wallace has greatly benefited East Texas
22 Medical Center of Athens and area residents, and he may indeed
23 reflect with pride on a career well spent as he embarks on the next
24 exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate Patrick Wallace on his retirement
3 from East Texas Medical Center of Athens and extend to him sincere
4 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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