SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 914

WHEREAS, Jon Weizenbaum will be retiring as commissioner of the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services on August 31, 2017, after 13 years of outstanding service to that agency and more than two decades of employment with the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Austin, Jon Weizenbaum received master's degrees from The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work and the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs; in 1988, he joined the Department of Human Services as a child protective services specialist, and he later gained additional experience in his field while employed as a social worker for the Casey Family Program and as a case manager for AIDS Services of Austin; from 1998 to 2002, he worked for the Texas Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, before spending two years with the Texas Commission on Drug and Alcohol Abuse as the director for communications and governmental relations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weizenbaum was hired by the Department of Aging and Disability Services in 2004; as director of the Center for Policy and Innovation, he was tasked with overseeing the development, coordination, and direction of policy initiatives and with the improvement of services through quality monitoring and reporting; his impressive work in that role led to his appointment as deputy commissioner in May 2006 and as commissioner of the agency in October 2012; and

WHEREAS, This hardworking and highly respected professional is blessed in all his endeavors with the love and support of his wife, Nancy, and his daughters, Camille and Emma;

retirement will afford him the opportunity to spend additional time with his family and to pursue his hobbies of cycling, birding, and playing music; and

WHEREAS, Jon Weizenbaum's vision, dedication, and leadership have greatly benefited the work of the Department of Aging and Disability Services, and he may reflect with pride on all that he has accomplished on behalf of his colleagues and his fellow Texans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby congratulate Jon Weizenbaum on his retirement from the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Weizenbaum as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini, Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate