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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Robert A. Jackson is retiring as state director of AARP Texas on August 17, 2019, drawing to a close 15 years of dedicated service to the organization; and

WHEREAS, Under Mr. Jackson's leadership, AARP Texas has grown to include more than 2.3 million members; he has assembled a strong corps of volunteers across the state and a staff that reflects the diversity of Texas, and he has placed a special emphasis on expanding the group's presence in San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, A recognized expert on guardianship issues, Mr. Jackson has helped Texas become a national leader in guardianship reform and has assisted the state's efforts to combat elder abuse and financial exploitation; in June 2018, he testified on these subjects before the Congressional Elder Justice Caucus as part of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, Before joining AARP, Bob Jackson enjoyed a long and accomplished career practicing elder law in Florida; he also served as general counsel and legislative affairs director for the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, in addition to holding a number of other important positions; and

WHEREAS, Robert Jackson's dedication, professionalism, and expertise have made a positive difference in the lives of many Texas residents, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his distinguished record of service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Robert A. Jackson on his retirement as director of AARP Texas and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

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