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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Ken Levine retired as director of the Texas Sunset Commission on August 31, 2018, drawing to a close an exemplary career that spanned 37 years with the agency; and

WHEREAS, Hired in 1981, Mr. Levine was instrumental in the development of numerous proposals to improve government operations and programs through Sunset Commission recommendations; he supervised policy evaluation projects for all state agencies in myriad areas; after serving as assistant director, he was appointed deputy director in 1995, and 14 years later, he was tapped to lead the agency; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Levine is a fellow of the Public Policy Dispute Resolution Center of The University of Texas School of Law; during one of three terms on the National Legislative Program Evaluation Society Executive Committee, he served as its chair; he has also been a member of the Legislative Staff Coordinating Committee and vice chair of the standing committee on Budget and Revenue for the National Conference on State Legislatures; a graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, he holds a master's degree from the institution's LBJ School of Public Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Through his exemplary leadership, professionalism, and steadfast commitment to good governance, Ken Levine greatly benefited his fellow Texans, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Ken Levine on his retirement as director of the Texas Sunset Commission 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. Levine as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.