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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Toni Wallace has been elected as the judge of Fort 2 Bend County Court at Law No. 4, and she is indeed deserving of 3 special recognition; and

WHEREAS, In fulfilling the duties of her office, Judge 4 5 Wallace will draw on a wealth of valuable experience; an attorney with 13 years of experience, she specialized in criminal and civil 6 litigation, juvenile law, and real estate law while in private 7 practice, and as a Fort Bend County assistant district attorney, 8 she prosecuted felonies as well as cases involving drunk driving, 9 domestic violence, assault, theft, and juvenile offenders; she was 10 unanimously appointed to serve as the inaugural judge for County 11 12 Court at Law No. 5, making her the first female African American county court at law judge in the county's history; and 13

WHEREAS, A native of Fort Bend County, Judge Wallace earned her bachelor's degree in journalism from The University of Texas at Austin and her law degree from South Texas School of Law; she has served as national recording secretary of the National Black Law Students Association, and she has been active with Jack and Jill of America, the Houston Food Bank, and Lunches of Love; she is a Youth Ministry leader at Nazareth Baptist Church; and

21 WHEREAS, Each day, public servants improve the quality of 22 life for their fellow citizens in innumerable ways, and the efforts 23 of Toni Wallace will help to make Fort Bend County an even better 24 place in which to live and work; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 2 Legislature hereby congratulate Toni Wallace on her election as 3 judge of Fort Bend County Court at Law No. 4 and extend to her 4 sincere best wishes for a successful tenure; and, be it further

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