

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Justice Phil Johnson retired from the Texas Supreme
2 Court on December 31, 2018, drawing to a close an exemplary tenure
3 on the state's highest court that spanned 13 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Appointed by Governor Rick Perry in 2005, Justice
5 Johnson won admiration for his steadfast leadership; his knowledge
6 and wisdom were particularly crucial in cases involving the oil and
7 gas industry and the rights of landowners, and he excelled as a
8 liaison to the board of the State Bar; he previously served for
9 seven years on the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo, winning
10 election as its chief justice in 2002; and

11 WHEREAS, Justice Johnson grew up in Lubbock and completed his
12 bachelor's degree in mathematics at Texas Tech University; during
13 the Vietnam War, he served in the U.S. Air Force, flying
14 fighter-bombers and then instructing student pilots; he attained
15 the rank of captain and received numerous decorations, among them
16 the Silver Star, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, and the
17 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry; subsequently, he graduated with
18 honors from Texas Tech School of Law and joined the Lubbock firm of
19 Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, where he became a partner; and

20 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the legal profession, Justice Johnson
21 has served on numerous State Bar of Texas committees, and he is a
22 former president of the Lubbock County Bar Association; a life
23 fellow of both the Texas and American Bar Foundations, he is also a
24 member of the College of the State Bar of Texas and the American Law

1 Institute; in addition, he has benefited the wider community
2 through his membership on the boards or supervising committees of
3 the Legal Aid Society of Lubbock, the Golden Spread Council of the
4 Boy Scouts of America, Kiwanis, Southwest Lighthouse for the Blind,
5 and other organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, Justice Phil Johnson has made enormous
7 contributions to Texas law, and in so doing, he has earned the
8 lasting respect and appreciation of his fellow citizens; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
11 Legislature hereby commend the Honorable Phil Johnson for his
12 outstanding service as a justice of the Texas Supreme Court and
13 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Justice Johnson as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 495 was adopted by the House on April 15, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House