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H.R. No. 1113

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Mitchell Davenport retired as Jack
2 County judge on December 31, 2018, concluding a distinguished
3 tenure that spanned 28 years; and

4 WHEREAS, The longest-serving judge in the county's history,
5 Judge Davenport won his first election by a mere 25 votes; he went
6 on to increase that margin considerably against a variety of
7 opponents, becoming a prominent figure in local politics; and

8 WHEREAS, Judge Davenport dedicated himself to keeping up with
9 rapidly changing case law, and he regarded the acquisition of new
10 information as a daily responsibility; in his efforts to meet the
11 needs of his constituents, he listened carefully to input from
12 prosecutors, county commissioners, and citizens alike, and in so
13 doing, he fostered a collegial, collaborative process that promoted
14 positive outcomes and broader consensus; moreover, he served as a
15 staunch advocate for the library, the senior center, and other
16 public facilities; and

17 WHEREAS, A graduate of Texas Tech University School of Law,
18 Judge Davenport was admitted to practice in 1974; he is the scion of
19 a family with deep roots in the Lone Star State and a long tradition
20 of public service; and

21 WHEREAS, Over the course of nearly three decades, Mitchell
22 Davenport greatly benefited his fellow citizens through his
23 thoughtful leadership and his unwavering commitment to excellence,
24 and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Mitchell Davenport
4 on his retirement as Jack County judge and extend to him sincere
5 best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

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