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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, James B. Crow is retiring as executive director of 2 the Texas Association of School Boards on August 31, 2021, drawing 3 to a close an exceptional career with the organization that has 4 spanned four decades; and

5 WHEREAS, After first joining the TASB in 1981 as the manager 6 of education services, Mr. Crow went on to serve in a number of 7 important roles, including director of governmental relations and 8 associate executive director of governmental/external relations; 9 in 1995, he took the helm as executive director; and

WHEREAS, Under his guidance, TASB has excelled in its mission 10 11 of promoting educational excellence for Texas students by providing 12 essential support to the state's school districts; Mr. Crow has been integral to the association's development, and today TASB 13 14 works in behalf of more than 7,000 locally elected school board members; recognized as an education policy expert, he has also 15 16 provided beneficial guidance to state legislators and other policy makers regarding oversight of the Texas public schools; and 17

WHEREAS, Mr. Crow is a graduate of Rockdale High School and earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from The University of Texas at Austin; his extensive experience in education includes service as a teacher with the Austin Independent School District, and he later worked in communications roles for the district; immediately before joining TASB, he was a staff member with the Senate Education Committee during the 67th Texas Legislature; and

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1 WHEREAS, Over the course of a long and accomplished career, 2 James Crow has dedicated himself to furthering public education 3 throughout the Texas, and the untiring support he has offered to 4 school board members has had an enduring and positive influence on 5 several generations of Texas students; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate James B. Crow on his retirement as 8 executive director of the Texas Association of School Boards and 9 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for Mr. Crow as an expression of high regard by the Texas 12 House of Representatives.

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