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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Carol Donovan is stepping down as Dallas County
- 2 Democratic Party chair in 2021, concluding a noteworthy tenure that
- 3 has spanned six years; and
- WHEREAS, Elected in 2015, Ms. Donovan has guided DCDP through
- 5 a period of growth, working effectively with precinct chairs and
- 6 other elected officials; the party fielded candidates for every one
- 7 of the county's state representative seats for the first time in
- 8 2016, and State Representative Victoria Neave won her race;
- 9 furthermore, Democratic Party presidential candidate Hillary
- 10 Clinton garnered 64 percent of the vote in the county; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Democrats won 80 percent of Dallas County races on
- 12 the ballot in 2018; DCDP flipped a congressional seat, a state
- 13 senate seat, and a seat in the Texas House, and it sent to Austin the
- 14 county's largest Democratic delegation of state representatives
- 15 since 1971; in addition, it elected its "Slate of Eight" to the
- 16 Fifth Court of Appeals, transforming it into a Democratic-majority
- 17 body; voters returned a Democrat to the district attorney's office
- 18 as well; and
- WHEREAS, In 2020, DCDP retained all of its seats and gained
- 20 new seats on the Fifth Court of Appeals; moreover, 65 percent of
- 21 voters in the county chose President Joseph R. Biden; and
- WHEREAS, Under Ms. Donovan's leadership, the number of
- 23 Democratic Party registrations in the county has increased and
- 24 turnout has climbed from 55 to 66 percent; DCDP has raised more than

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- 1 \$2.5 million, and many new precinct chairs have come on board; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Carol Donovan has greatly benefited the Democratic
- 3 Party through her tireless endeavors in Dallas County, and as she
- 4 embarks on the next exciting chapter of her life, she may indeed
- 5 reflect with pride on her accomplishments; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby honor Carol Donovan for her service as Dallas
- 8 County Democratic Party chair and extend to her sincere best wishes
- 9 for the future; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Ms. Donovan as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1289 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House