

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 94

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize John Burke, who retired as chair of the Lower Colorado River Water Planning Group on January 27, 2021, after 23 years of distinguished leadership; and

WHEREAS, John Burke was appointed to the planning group in 1998 by the Texas Water Development Board, and he was named chair at the group's Initial Coordinating Body Meeting that same year; and

WHEREAS, In his role as the group's founding chairperson, Mr. Burke cultivated a culture of mutual respect among members of an organization that represents the diverse needs and interests of a 14-county region; he was admired for his fairness and for his calmness in the face of conflict, and his professional demeanor and knowledge of water supply matters resulted in his election as chair of the planning group for 23 consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, During Mr. Burke's exemplary tenure, the Lower Colorado River Water Planning Group produced five water supply plans, which provided strategies to ensure adequate water supplies to meet the agricultural, mining, and environmental needs of the region for 50 years; he is an esteemed professional, and he can reflect with pride on 23 years of success in public leadership; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby commend John Burke for setting lasting standards for excellence as chair of the Lower Colorado River Water Planning Group and extend to him best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 2, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate