

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Howard G. Baldwin, Jr., of Austin, whose stellar  
2 25-year career in state service was largely devoted to addressing  
3 the needs of children, has retired as first assistant attorney  
4 general of Texas; and

5           WHEREAS, A board certified family law attorney, Mr. Baldwin  
6 has worked as a family law and child support master for Bexar  
7 County, as deputy director for government relations for the Texas  
8 Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, as a regional  
9 director in child support enforcement at the Texas Department of  
10 Human Services, and as a deputy chief attorney general in child  
11 support litigation; and

12           WHEREAS, While living in San Antonio, he helped to found that  
13 city's CASA program, whereby courts appoint trained volunteers to  
14 advocate in behalf of abused and neglected children, and he  
15 subsequently served as the first statewide CASA president; Mr.  
16 Baldwin is currently a board member of the National Child Support  
17 Enforcement Association and a board member and former president of  
18 the Western Interstate Child Support Enforcement Council; he also  
19 serves on the legislative committee of the Family Law Section of the  
20 State Bar of Texas, as well as on the state bar's Child Abuse and  
21 Neglect Committee and Family Law Council; and

22           WHEREAS, Mr. Baldwin has played a pivotal role in protecting  
23 the youngest and most vulnerable of Texans; long a reliable  
24 resource for every state legislative committee that deals with

1 abuse, child support, visitation, and parenting issues, he has been  
2 instrumental in the development of stronger laws to safeguard  
3 children, to increase child support collection, and to strengthen  
4 families living in the Lone Star State; and

5 WHEREAS, In recognition of his extensive efforts, Mr. Baldwin  
6 has been accorded many honors, including the prestigious Dan R.  
7 Price Award for Outstanding Contributions to Family Law; and

8 WHEREAS, This exceptional public servant's untiring  
9 commitment to the youth of Texas has brought added support, safety,  
10 and stability to the lives of countless children, and it is indeed a  
11 privilege to honor him at this time; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
13 hereby congratulate Howard G. Baldwin, Jr., on the occasion of his  
14 retirement as first assistant attorney general of Texas and extend  
15 to him heartfelt best wishes for continued success and happiness as  
16 he embarks on this new chapter in his life; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for Mr. Baldwin as an expression of high regard by the  
19 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

Thompson  
Solis  
Goodman  
Uresti  
Hartnett

David Bushnell

President of the Senate

John Caddell

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 72 was adopted by the House on April 3, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 72 was adopted by the Senate on April 10, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Patricia Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

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Date

Rick Perry

Governor

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