A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision
without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify
in an election for that office.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by
adding Section 13A to read as follows:

Sec. 13A. For an office of a political subdivision for which
this constitution requires an election, the legislature may provide
by general law for a person to assume the office without an election
if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election to be
held for that office.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
submitted to the voters at an election to be held September 13,
2003. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against
the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political
subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate
to qualify in an election for that office."
H.J.R. No. 59

I certify that H.J.R. No. 59 was passed by the House on May 1, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.J.R. No. 59 on May 24, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 124, Nays 3, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House
I certify that H.J.R. No. 59 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 2.

Secretary of the Senate

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Secretary of State

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