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DIGEST

Mr. Ron Jackson has devoted 34 years of active public service to the State of Texas from 1959 to 1993. In 1970, when the Brownwood State School for girls opened, Mr. Jackson was the first superintendent. From 1973 to 1993, Mr. Jackson served as the executive director of the Texas Youth Commission, where he contributed significantly to the juvenile correctional system in Texas, most notably to the issues of adjudicated delinquent youth of this state. Moreover, Mr. Jackson espoused the programs offered at the Brownwood State School- Units I and II, a facility in Brownwood that houses more than 300 delinquent males and 150 delinquent females, which dedicates itself to the same ideals of identifying treatment needs, administering correctional therapy, and upholding the rights of youth; in addition, it assists delinquent youth reintegrating into the community through a rehabilitation program that includes education and participation in a wide range of community service projects.

Furthermore, due to Mr. Jackson's professionalism and outstanding leadership, he has received two of the highest accolades available in the field of juvenile corrections, the E.R. Class Award from the American Correctional Association and the Roscoe Pound Award from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency. Since Mr. Jackson has distinguished himself as an outstanding and innovative leader in the field of juvenile corrections, it is indeed fitting that Mr. Jackson be recognized for improving the lives of young Texans.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.C.R. 45, submits the following resolutions:

Provides that the Texas Building and Procurement Commission rename the Brownwood State School- Units I and II for Mr. Ron Jackson as a tribute to his commitment to public service and his many contributions to the betterment of the State of Texas. Establishes that the secretary of state forward an official copy of this resolution to the chair and the executive director of the Texas Building and Procurement Commission.