

# Resolution



ORDER NO: 2015-0235

DATE: February 24, 2015

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015, on motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by Dr. Elba Garcia, Commissioner of District 4 the following Resolution was adopted:

**WHEREAS**, The Dallas County Commissioner's Court takes special notice when a county employee has dedicated their life and career to public and military service; and

**WHEREAS**, Dallas County wishes to congratulate **Jack D. Hedge** on his retirement after 24 years of invaluable service with the Public Works department in tandem with his 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 17, 2015. His experience and knowledge have made him an irreplaceable asset among the engineers he leads and inspires as the Assistant Director of the Program Engineering and Management Division; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jack** graduated with honors from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. Later that year he was hired as an Engineer in Training with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). During this time, **Jack** began his 32-year military career by joining the U.S. Army Reserve where he served as Platoon Leader in the Infantry Division. A few years later he entered extended active duty with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers until 1953, which included serving as a Company Commander on the Korean Combat Zone. Upon his return he was hired as Senior Resident Engineer with TxDOT in Silsbee, Texas; and

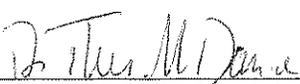
**WHEREAS**, **Jack's** leadership and management abilities were essential in the many influential positions he held over the years. In 1966, he was Senior Vice President for the First National Bank of Silsbee, a city where he was very active civically as president and director of the local chamber of commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and even the public library. Six years later **Jack** became the president, CEO and director of Lake Cities State Bank in Lake Dallas, Texas, while concurrently working as Commandant of the Dallas US Army Reserve School as Colonel of Engineers until his retirement on Halloween of 1979 after 32 years of service. In 1988, **Jack** ran and co-owned full time operations of a full lines property, casualty, life, health and specialty insurance agency; and

**WHEREAS**, Two years later, **Jack's** journey with Dallas County Public Works began as he was hired as a Civil Engineering Designer. While putting his expertise and skills to work, **Jack** quickly defined his leadership role with the department earning various promotions and the essential role of Manager of the Civil Design Section. As the design leader, **Jack** spearheaded the design of Mockingbird/White Rock Pedestrian Bridge, Belt Line Road Roundabout, Lawson Road, and many more innovative projects. In May of 2011, **Jack** was promoted to Assistant Director of the Program Engineering and Management Division where he continues to act as a key mentor in engineering and financial areas while showing style and professionalism in his endeavors; and

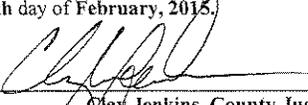
**WHEREAS**, **Jack** has been married to **Mrs. Jo Hedge** for 60 years; they have two adult children, Jack C. Hedge and Jeff P. Hedge. Along with his 'grandpa' duties to two grandchildren, **Jack** also spends his leisure time on the golf course, in the garden, and playing the violin.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that on behalf of the Dallas County Commissioners Court, we extend sincere appreciation and respect to **Jack D. Hedge** for his leadership, commitment, and devoted service to his country and to Dallas County. It is great to see someone as deserving as **Jack** reach this point of retirement. May he enjoy and commit to as much relaxation as he enjoyed the hard work throughout his career.

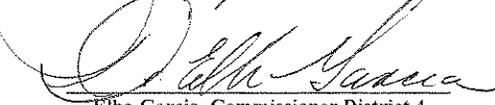
DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 24th day of February, 2015.

  
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Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner District 1

  
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Mike Cantrell, Commissioner District 2

  
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Clay Jenkins, County Judge

  
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John Wiley Price, Commissioner District 3

  
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Elba Garcia, Commissioner District 4