

# **Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request**

Meeting Date: February 19, 2013

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Roger Jefferies, County

Executive for Justice and Public Safety

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

### **AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

Approve Resolution Recognizing Betty E. Rodriguez in the Juvenile Public Defender Office on her Retirement and for her many years of service to Travis County and its residents.

# **BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:**

Please see proposed resolution attached.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

#### **ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

Please see proposed resolution attached.

#### FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Approving this request will not increase the County Budget.

## **REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**

# Resolution

WHEREAS, since the beginning of her tenure with Travis County in 1991 and throughout her twenty-two year career, Betty E. Rodriguez has served the residents and youth of Travis County as an Assistant Juvenile Public Defender.

WHEREAS, as a result of her hard work and dedication throughout her years of service she has demonstrated a high commitment of excellence and skill by advancing to end her career as one of the Juvenile Public Defender's finest Senior Assistant Public Defender's.

WHEREAS, that for over a decade she has been certified as a juvenile law specialist by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, a honor that less than one percent of attorneys in Texas has obtained, she has provided superior legal representation to the many juveniles she has represented in Travis County.

WHEREAS, in addition to providing legal representation to juveniles she has served in roles such as serving as advisor to attorneys practicing in juvenile court, served as an adjunct professor at the University of Texas School of Law, mentored many legal interns in the practice of Juvenile Law as well as teaching at legally sponsored continuing education programs all the while exhibiting the highest levels of professionalism.

WHEREAS, her accomplishments are shared with her family – husband, Tom son, Adam and daughter Alexandra Linehan.

WHEREAS, it is only appropriate that we take this opportunity to honor Betty E. Rodriguez on the occasion of her retirement and to applaud her for her many years of service to the youth of Travis County by providing the best legal representation afforded by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, DO HEREBY EXTEND SPECIAL THANKS TO BETTY E. RODRIGUEZ FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO TRAVIS COUNTY AND ITS RESIDENTS AND EXTEND BEST WISHES TO HER IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2013.