

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Gary R. Pedigo of Denison is retiring as chair of the
2 Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen's Texas State
3 Legislative Board on May 31, 2023, following a noteworthy
4 eight-year tenure in office and a railroad career spanning more
5 than four decades; and

6 WHEREAS, A Sherman native, Mr. Pedigo graduated from Denison
7 High School; he was hired in 1977 as a brakeman by the
8 Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad, often called the Katy Railroad; on
9 the first day of 1979, he joined BLET Division 177 in Denison, and
10 that same year he was promoted to engineer; he was employed as a
11 locomotive engineer by Union Pacific Railroad from 1989 until 2023;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Pedigo has served Division 177 as local chair
14 and legislative representative throughout his career, and in 2011
15 he became second vice chair of the BLET Texas State Legislative
16 Board; he was elected chair by acclamation in 2015, and he easily
17 won a second term four years later; at the Fifth National Convention
18 in October 2022, he served as National Division chaplain; and

19 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Pedigo is supported by the
20 love and encouragement of his wife, Brenda, and their two children,
21 Whitney and Trey; retirement will allow him to be a "full-time
22 Poppa" to his three grandchildren, and he is also looking forward to
23 working on his farm and playing golf; and

24 WHEREAS, Gary Pedigo has distinguished himself through his

1 outstanding tenure as chair of the BLET Texas State Legislative
2 Board and through his decades of service to Division 177, and he may
3 indeed reflect with pride on his contributions as he embarks on the
4 next exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Gary R. Pedigo on his retirement as
7 chair of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen's
8 Texas State Legislative Board and extend to him sincere best wishes
9 for continued happiness; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Pedigo as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2234

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2234 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House