

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 489

WHEREAS, Houston Astros public address announcer Bob Ford was inducted into the Texas Radio Hall of Fame on November 5, 2022, at the Texas Museum of Broadcasting and Communications in Kilgore; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Galveston, Bob Ford got his start as an announcer at the age of 13, when he took the microphone for youth baseball games in his hometown, already possessing the booming voice that is his signature; he landed his first Houston radio job after graduating from high school in 1975, and he gained valuable work experience with numerous other stations over the years; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, Mr. Ford embarked on his career with the Astros, initially joining the organization as its announcer at the Astrodome and filling the same role at Minute Maid Park beginning in 2000; he has experienced the thrill of calling playoff contests and the four World Series in which the Astros have competed; in 2017, he helped energize the Houston fans and players in games three, four, and five of the series, and the Astros went on to win the championship in seven games; and

WHEREAS, Since 2014, Mr. Ford has also served as the PA announcer for University of Houston football games at TDECU Stadium; he is the longtime owner and operator of Bob Ford Productions, a voiceover and audio production company; and

WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Bob Ford's name and voice have been synonymous with the Houston Astros, and this legendary announcer is indeed deserving of this prestigious hall of fame honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby congratulate Bob Ford on his induction into the Texas Radio Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2022 and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Ford as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Middleton

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on April 27, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate