

By: Hopson

H.R. No. 296

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jacksonville Lodge No. 108, Ancient Free and
2 Accepted Masons (A.F. & A.M.), is celebrating its 150th anniversary
3 on October 16, 2003, and this momentous event is testament to the
4 longstanding commitment and dedication of those individuals who
5 have served this noteworthy group; and

6 WHEREAS, The oldest organization in Jacksonville, Lodge No.
7 108 was chartered in January of 1853, and its inaugural officers
8 included E. B. Ragsdale, worshipful master, D. G. Templeton, senior
9 warden, Richard Frazier, junior warden, Wiley Long, treasurer, A.
10 K. Middleton, senior deacon, G. M. Doherty, junior deacon, and L. H.
11 Lane, tiler; and

12 WHEREAS, Throughout its enduring history, Jacksonville Lodge
13 No. 108 has served citizens on the local, state, and national
14 levels, offering support and assistance to numerous worthwhile
15 charitable organizations and helping families cope with the ravages
16 of natural disasters, and the members of this venerable group are
17 justifiably proud of these exemplary efforts; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby recognize the 150th
20 anniversary of Jacksonville Lodge No. 108, A.F. & A.M., and pay
21 tribute to the past and present members of this esteemed
22 organization; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for the members of Jacksonville Lodge No. 108, A.F. & A.M.,

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1 as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
2 Representatives.