

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS,   Katy   Independent   School   District   (ISD)  
2   superintendent Dr. Leonard Merrell has been selected by the Katy  
3   Area Chamber of Commerce as the 2003 Citizen of the Year, an honor  
4   that justly recognizes his myriad contributions to the Katy  
5   community; and

6           WHEREAS, Dr. Merrell holds a bachelor of science degree in  
7   agriculture, a master of education degree, and a doctor of  
8   education degree, all from Texas A&M University; he led Sulphur  
9   Springs ISD as superintendent of schools from 1985 to 1988 and  
10   guided Texas City ISD as superintendent from 1988 to 1995, at which  
11   time he took the helm of the school system in Katy; and

12          WHEREAS, Throughout his exemplary tenure with Katy ISD, this  
13   esteemed educator and administrator has demonstrated an unwavering  
14   commitment to helping each student succeed and has worked  
15   tirelessly to uphold the highest standards and maintain the  
16   exceptional educational system for which Katy is known; and

17          WHEREAS, Dr. Merrell is also an active member of the  
18   community, devoting his time and energy to the American Heart  
19   Association, Boy Scouts of America, Christus Health Gulf Coast,  
20   National Junior Achievement, Katy Area Economic Development  
21   Council, and West Houston Association, in addition to numerous  
22   professional groups; and

23          WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Merrell has enjoyed the  
24   love and support of his wife of 35 years, Dr. Linda Kay Merrell, and

1 the couple take great joy in their two sons and their grandchildren;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Merrell's dedication to building a bright and  
4 promising future for the young people of Katy has earned him the  
5 lasting respect of his fellow citizens, and his accomplishments are  
6 truly a source of tremendous pride to the Katy community; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
9 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor Dr. Leonard Merrell  
10 on his selection as the 2003 Citizen of the Year by the Katy Area  
11 Chamber of Commerce and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
12 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Dr. Merrell as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 88

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 88 was adopted by the House on May 11,  
2004, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House