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H.C.R. No. 263

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jack Dale has retired from his position as sports
2 announcer for Texas Tech University, bringing to a close a
3 remarkable association with that fine institution that spanned five
4 decades; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Kansas, he graduated from Kansas City's
6 Pathfinder School of Radio Announcing and worked at radio stations
7 in Topeka and Altus, Oklahoma, before coming to Texas in December
8 1952; and

9 WHEREAS, During the span between his first basketball game
10 with Texas Tech against Flagstaff State on January 6, 1953, and his
11 last on April 3, 2003, when the Raiders triumphed in the consolation
12 game of the 2003 National Invitational Tournament at Madison Square
13 Garden, Mr. Dale provided color commentary or play-by-play for
14 approximately 1,350 men's basketball games, 520 Texas Tech or other
15 Southwest Conference schools' football games, and nearly 50 games
16 each of Texas Tech baseball and Lady Raiders basketball; and

17 WHEREAS, In recognition of his enduring association with the
18 Texas Tech University athletic department, Mr. Dale was elected to
19 the Texas Tech Athletic Hall of Honor; he also received an
20 Outstanding Alumni Award from the Ex-Students Association and was
21 awarded an honorary degree from the university; and

22 WHEREAS, Jack Dale is a Lone Star legend in the field of
23 sports announcing, for his inherent grasp of sports and powerful
24 descriptions have delighted fans of Texas Tech University athletics

1 for half a century; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
3 hereby congratulate Jack Dale on his 50-year tenure as the voice of
4 the Texas Tech University Red Raiders and extend to him sincere best
5 wishes for a happy and rewarding retirement; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mr. Dale as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives and Senate.