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H.R. No. 20

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is proud to honor  
2 Jim Biggerstaff for his many contributions to the quality of life in  
3 his Plano community; and

4           WHEREAS, A resident of that North Texas city for four  
5 decades, this highly regarded businessman and civic leader has  
6 devoted half a century to the florist profession, the majority as  
7 owner and operator of Biggerstaff Flowers, a successful business he  
8 recently closed in order to focus on his health; and

9           WHEREAS, Known for the creativity and imagination reflected  
10 in his floral creations, Mr. Biggerstaff takes pride in the care and  
11 personal touch he provided his customers; and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. Biggerstaff's deep dedication to his community  
13 leads him to give of his time and talents to many worthy endeavors,  
14 including the Collin County Community College Board of Trustees and  
15 Plano's Transition and Revitalization Commission; in 1995, he was  
16 appointed by Mayor John Longstreet to head the East Plano Task  
17 Force, which developed a number of major proposals, including one  
18 for the city's vital research and technology district; his  
19 volunteerism also has benefited many additional organizations,  
20 including the Crisis Center of Collin County, the Plano Chamber of  
21 Commerce, and the Plano Economic Development Board; and

22           WHEREAS, In recognition of his leadership and commitment to  
23 his fellow Texans, he was named Plano Citizen of the Year in 1999,  
24 and Mayor Pat Evans proclaimed July 22-27, 2002, as "Jim

1 Biggerstaff Week"; also in 2002, the city council announced plans  
2 for a new city plaza to be named for Mr. Biggerstaff and located at  
3 the site of his original Plano flower shop; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Jim Biggerstaff has  
5 exemplified the virtues of dedication, integrity, and compassion as  
6 a businessman and civic leader, and he serves as a source of  
7 inspiration to all who know him; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby commend Jim Biggerstaff for his exemplary  
10 contributions to his fellow citizens and extend to him sincere best  
11 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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