

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Donald Patman, outgoing president of the Texas Farm
2 Bureau, has worked diligently to support our state's agricultural
3 industry, and it is a pleasure to recognize his dedicated efforts;
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5 WHEREAS, Long active in the Lone Star State's agricultural
6 community, this esteemed gentleman has given generously of his time
7 and talents in support of organizations on both the state and local
8 levels; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Patman is a former president of the Ellis County
10 Farm Bureau who has also served as its secretary-treasurer as well
11 as membership chairman and cotton and wheat commodity chairman; and

12 WHEREAS, He joined the Texas Farm Bureau's board of directors
13 in 1994 and was elected as its vice president two years later; after
14 four terms as vice president, he won the presidency in January 2000,
15 and he has earned the respect and admiration of men and women
16 throughout the industry for his unwavering commitment to Texas
17 farmers; and

18 WHEREAS, In addition to his service to the farm bureau, Mr.
19 Patman was selected to serve on a USDA task force regarding farm and
20 ranch planning, and he is a member of the board of directors for the
21 Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company and the Southern Farm
22 Bureau Casualty Insurance Company; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Patman has received numerous awards for his
24 efforts, including the Communication and Public Relations award

1 from the Professional Agricultural Workers of Texas, an Honorary
2 State Lone Star Farmer award, and the Rotary Soil Conservation
3 Award; and

4 WHEREAS, An accomplished cattleman as well as a farmer, Mr.
5 Patman has made invaluable contributions to the citizens and
6 economy of Texas, and it is most appropriate to honor him at this
7 time; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend Donald Patman on his service as
10 president of the Texas Farm Bureau and extend to him sincere best
11 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 109

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 109 was adopted by the House on March 28, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House