

By: Pitts

H.R. No. 109

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.