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H.R. No. 303

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Poncho Roberts was recently selected by *The*  
2 *Huntsville Item* as its 2002 Citizen of the Year; and

3           WHEREAS, A deserving recipient of this annual award, Mr.  
4 Roberts retired from Southwestern Bell nearly 18 years ago, and  
5 since that time, he has established himself as a leader in the  
6 community, giving generously of his time and talents to benefit a  
7 host of worthwhile civic organizations; and

8           WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts is a deacon and usher for University  
9 Heights Baptist Church and has served as president of the Sam  
10 Houston Club, adventure guide for the Sam Houston Visitors Center,  
11 and member of the board of directors for Old Town Theater; in  
12 addition, he is active with the Southwestern Bell Pioneers, the  
13 Huntsville Rotary Club, the chamber of commerce, the H.E.A.R.T.S.  
14 Museum, and the Sam Houston Raven Rangers; this inspirational  
15 individual is also a frequent volunteer at Huntsville Memorial  
16 Hospital, where he has logged more than 1,000 hours of service; and

17           WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Roberts receives  
18 steadfast support from his beloved wife, Sugar, who is a dedicated  
19 civic leader in her own right; a greeter at the Sam Houston Visitors  
20 Center, she shares her time with the H.E.A.R.T.S. Museum and the Sam  
21 Houston Folk Festival, and she has committed more than 2,000 hours  
22 as a volunteer at Huntsville Memorial Hospital and served several  
23 terms as a member of its auxiliary board; Mr. and Mrs. Roberts  
24 regularly make appearances together at local churches, hospitals,

1 nursing homes, schools, businesses, and service clubs, where they  
2 share their message of faith and humor to the enjoyment of many  
3 people; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts is being honored at a reception hosted  
5 by *The Huntsville Item* on February 20, 2003, and it is a pleasure to  
6 join in celebrating his myriad contributions to his community; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Poncho Roberts on being named  
10 Citizen of the Year for 2002 by *The Huntsville Item* and extend to  
11 both Mr. and Mrs. Roberts sincere best wishes for continued success  
12 and happiness; and, be it further

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