

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Leon Blevins of El Paso deserves high praise for his
2 exemplary commitment to teaching and to several generations of El
3 Paso college students; and

4 WHEREAS, With a flair for the dramatic and memorable, this
5 longtime educator has employed period costumes to facilitate his
6 classroom lectures and his creative presentations in the community;
7 for 30 years, he has taught political science courses at El Paso
8 Community College and has become known locally for the historical
9 figures and American icons he represents; and

10 WHEREAS, This Texas State Historical Association member
11 brings the colorful history of El Paso and Texas to life, and his
12 costumes are most effective aids for sharing his enthusiasm for his
13 subject with his listeners; since he began portraying "Uncle Sam"
14 in the 1980s, Mr. Blevins has appeared at numerous city- and
15 school-sponsored functions, including the annual July 4 parade, and
16 he recently appeared as Uncle Sam to welcome the prisoners of war of
17 the Iraqi conflict back to Fort Bliss; and

18 WHEREAS, Leon Blevins is a truly inspirational professor, and
19 it is a pleasure to pay tribute to him at this time; now, therefore,
20 be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
22 Legislature hereby commend Leon Blevins for the creativity and
23 passion with which he imparts his knowledge of political science,
24 Texas history, and his love of his country and extend to him warmest

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1 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for Mr. Blevins as an expression of high regard by the
4 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1230 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House