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H.R. No. 1230

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

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.