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H.R. No. 250

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, After more than 20 years as a superintendent and
2 more than 40 years as an educator, Mike Crossland is retiring from
3 his position with the Spring Hill Independent School District in
4 Longview on December 31, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on January 23, 1940, in Daingerfield, Mr.
6 Crossland attended Kilgore College and earned a bachelor's degree
7 from Oklahoma Christian College and a master's degree from the
8 University of Mississippi; in addition to receiving his all-level
9 administrative certificate from Stephen F. Austin State
10 University, he holds professional certification in mathematics,
11 health, and physical education; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Crossland first worked as a math teacher and
13 coach in Oklahoma City before returning to his home state and
14 teaching for Longview ISD; he also distinguished himself during a
15 20-year tenure with White Oak ISD, where he served as an instructor,
16 coach, and administrator; and

17 WHEREAS, An active member of the education community, Mr.
18 Crossland is a former president of the Piney Woods Chapter of the
19 Texas Association of Supervisors and Curriculum Directors and a
20 member of the Texas State Teachers Association, the Association of
21 Texas Professional Educators, and the American Association of
22 Supervisors and Curriculum Directors; he is also a life member of
23 the White Oak and Spring Hill Parent Teacher Associations and an
24 elder for Judson Road Church of Christ; and

1 WHEREAS, Together with his wife, Gloria, Mr. Crossland plans
2 to spend his retirement fishing, traveling, and enjoying time with
3 his six grandchildren; and

4 WHEREAS, Mike Crossland has served the needs of our state's
5 youth for nearly half a century as an educator and administrator,
6 and his retirement provides a fitting opportunity to recognize this
7 esteemed Texan for his notable contributions and achievements; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
10 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby honor Mike Crossland on his
11 exceptional tenure as an educator and extend to him sincere best
12 wishes for a fulfilling retirement; and, be it further

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