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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Former Texas Longhorn and major league baseball 2 player Brooks Kieschnick has been duly recognized for his exemplary 3 athletic career with his inclusion in the first induction class of the new College Baseball Hall of Fame in Lubbock; and 4 5 WHEREAS, During his three years pitching for The University of Texas at Austin, Mr. Kieschnick helped lead the Longhorns to two 6 7 Southwest Conference titles and two College World Series appearances; he pitched 34 straight scoreless innings as a freshman 8 and finished his UT career ranked fifth with 48 starts and 345 9 innings pitched, seventh with seven shutouts, and ninth with 34 10 11 wins; in the batter's box, Mr. Kieschnick recorded 43 home runs, 116 12 extra base hits, and 67 doubles to rank second all-time in those categories and posted 215 RBIs, third all-time; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Drafted by the Chicago Cubs in the first round of the 1993 MLB First-Year Player Draft, Mr. Kieschnick, nicknamed "The 15 Tool Shed," established himself as a versatile player who excelled 16 in the roles of pinch hitter, designated hitter, outfielder, and 17 18 relief pitcher; after two seasons with the Cubs, he played with the

a 4.59 earned run average on the mound; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kieschnick has garnered myriad accolades for his
achievements on the baseball diamond; in addition to numerous
All-American awards, he won the 1993 Baseball America National

Cincinnati Reds, Colorado Rockies, and Milwaukee Brewers,

compiling 306 career at-bats and a .248 batting average, as well as

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- 1 Player of the Year award, became the only two-time Dick Howser
- 2 Trophy recipient, and was a two-time USA Baseball/MLBPA Golden
- 3 Spikes Award finalist; and
- WHEREAS, His induction into the College Baseball Hall of Fame
- 5 highlights his sterling athletic career; one of only 10 collegiate
- 6 legends chosen for this honor, Mr. Kieschnick joins an elite group
- of athletes and coaches whose talent, hard work, and commitment to
- 8 excellence in the sport of baseball merit special recognition; now,
- 9 therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 11 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Brooks
- 12 Kieschnick on his induction into the College Baseball Hall of Fame
- and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Mr. Kieschnick as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 451 was adopted by the House on May 12, 2006, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House