

By: Riddle

H.R. No. 722

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, After 20 years of service as a member of the Texas
2 House of Representatives, the Honorable Robert D. "Bob" Hunter is
3 retiring from public office, and it is indeed appropriate to
4 reflect on his impressive two-decade tenure at this time; and

5 WHEREAS, Elected to represent the citizens of Abilene and
6 Taylor County in a special election in 1986, Dr. Hunter is a veteran
7 leader in the Texas House and currently serves as vice chairman of
8 the House Committee on Regulated Industries and as a member of the
9 House Committee on Government Reform; and

10 WHEREAS, This esteemed legislator, long renowned as a
11 goodwill ambassador for the house, was a five-term chairman of the
12 House Committee on State, Federal, and International Relations; he
13 also co-chaired the House Select Committee on NAFTA and GATT; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Hunter served as the Texas vice chairman for the
15 American Legislative Exchange Council and its Trade and
16 Transportation Task Force and as a member of the Economic and
17 Cultural Development Committee for the National Conference of State
18 Legislatures, the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee for the
19 Southern Legislative Conference, and the International Committee
20 for the Council of State Governments; and

21 WHEREAS, This respected academician holds doctorates from
22 Texas Wesleyan College, the University of St. Thomas,
23 Hardin-Simmons University, McMurry University, and Abilene
24 Christian University and is the recipient of an honorary doctor of

1 laws degree from Pepperdine University; he earned bachelor's and
2 master's degrees in business administration from Abilene Christian
3 and enjoyed a distinguished 37-year tenure as one of the
4 university's most esteemed administrators; and

5 WHEREAS, A dedicated advocate for children, students, and
6 educational facilities, this commendable gentleman is a member of
7 the Texas Legislative Caucus for Missing and Exploited Children and
8 has long been an active supporter of the state's institutions for
9 higher learning; he has also served on the advisory boards of the
10 Abilene/Taylor County Child Advocacy Center and the Chisholm Trail
11 Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and

12 WHEREAS, With retirement on the horizon, our colleague can
13 look forward to spending more time with his wife, Shirley, and their
14 children and grandchildren, and he can take pride in knowing that he
15 has made a positive difference in the lives of countless Texans
16 through his efforts as a state representative; now, therefore, be
17 it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
19 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend the Honorable Bob
20 Hunter for his many years of dedicated service to his constituents
21 and to the citizens of Texas and extend to him best wishes for
22 happiness and success in the future; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for Dr. Hunter as an expression of highest regard by his
25 colleagues in the Texas House of Representatives.