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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 join the city of Pasadena and local Rotary Club in honoring
3 Constable Bill Bailey on April 29, 2005, which has been named Bill
4 Bailey Day in Pasadena; and

5 WHEREAS, Such a tribute is reserved for those citizens who
6 contribute to the betterment of their community in myriad ways, and
7 Bill Bailey is truly one such person; and

8 WHEREAS, Born Milton Odom Stanley into an enthusiastic and
9 politically active family, he grew up in Galena Park and made his
10 first political speech at the age of 13; and

11 WHEREAS, Weathering the trauma of his family's relocation to
12 Temple, Milton and his gift of gab soon found a niche in the
13 broadcasting industry when a school speech project led to a
14 position on the morning rural round up show on KTEM radio and the
15 beginning of a career as a radio star; and

16 WHEREAS, After a brief detour to Des Moines and Peoria, the
17 young radio personality returned to his beloved Texas without a
18 job; and

19 WHEREAS, Radio station KTHT had been actively promoting their
20 newest radio personality, Bill Bailey, but he reneged on the
21 contract after a few weeks; providentially, Milton Stanley applied
22 for a job and Bill Bailey's job was offered to him if he was willing
23 to change his name; he did and he was soon widely known as Bill
24 Bailey; and

1 WHEREAS, Lured to KIKK two years later, he began his rapid
2 ascent to radio stardom and was named the Number One Country Music
3 Broadcaster in a Major Market and Program Director of the Year by
4 *Billboard* magazine; and

5 WHEREAS, After retiring from broadcasting, he was elected
6 constable for Harris County Precinct 8 in 1982; he inherited a
7 17-member department that was focused on serving civil papers,
8 dealing with landlord-tenant disputes, and patrolling the streets
9 of the eastern Harris County industrial communities of Pasadena,
10 Deer Park, and La Porte; and

11 WHEREAS, Demanding high professional standards of his staff,
12 Constable Bailey built his department to over 75 employees who are
13 highly respected in the community; he counts among his many
14 achievements initiating a program to guard the families and homes
15 of astronauts while they are in space; and

16 WHEREAS, Whether he is emceeding at a Rotary luncheon,
17 announcing at the Texas Prison Rodeo, presiding over the Justices
18 of the Peace and Constables Association, or volunteering with the
19 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Bill Bailey has inspired those
20 around him with his enthusiasm, his integrity, and his initiative;
21 his example of hard work and dedication has earned him the respect
22 of all who know him; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commend Constable Bill Bailey for his many
25 professional and civic accomplishments and honor him on the special
26 occasion of Bill Bailey Day in Pasadena; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Constable Bailey as an expression of high regard from
2 the Texas House of Representatives.