

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Honorable Samuel L. Neal, Jr., has ably served  
2 the citizens of Corpus Christi as mayor since his election in April  
3 1997, and this esteemed public servant will complete his fourth and  
4 final term in April 2005; and

5           WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mayor Neal was born in Henderson and  
6 is a graduate of Paris High School; he continued his education at  
7 Texas A&M University in College Station, where he was a proud member  
8 of the Corps of Cadets and earned a bachelor's degree in marketing  
9 in 1959; today, he also holds a master's in business administration  
10 from the former Texas A&I University in Kingsville; and

11           WHEREAS, After graduating from college, he was commissioned a  
12 second lieutenant in the army; in 1989, he retired from the Army  
13 Reserve as a colonel after more than 30 years in the military;  
14 highly regarded for his business and leadership skills, Mayor Neal  
15 has enjoyed a successful career in the insurance industry and  
16 currently serves as chairman of Hilb, Rogal and Hobbs Insurance  
17 Company; and

18           WHEREAS, Mayor Neal has worked diligently in behalf of his  
19 fellow citizens in Corpus Christi; his efforts have led to the  
20 creation of a "Crime Control and Prevention District" and the  
21 development of a multipurpose arena; he has also supported the  
22 construction and maintenance of Packery Channel and the Bayfront  
23 Master Plan, as well as continued improvements to the city's  
24 infrastructure; and

1           WHEREAS, Mayor Neal has represented the citizens of Corpus  
2 Christi as a member of the Texas Municipal League since 1998,  
3 serving as president of that organization during the 77th  
4 Legislature; he has received numerous prestigious gubernatorial  
5 appointments both before and during his tenure as mayor, and he  
6 continues to serve as the chairman of the South Texas Military  
7 Facilities Task Force; and

8           WHEREAS, Corpus Christi and its citizens have greatly  
9 benefited from the visionary leadership and guidance of Mayor Loyd  
10 Neal, and his myriad contributions to the City by the Sea will  
11 continue to benefit the area for years to come; now, therefore, be  
12 it

13           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
14 Legislature hereby honor Mayor Samuel L. Neal, Jr., for his  
15 commendable service as mayor of the City of Corpus Christi and  
16 extend to him best wishes for continued success and happiness in all  
17 his endeavors; and, be it further

18           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mayor Neal as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
20 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2093

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2093 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House