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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Bob Hunter was first elected to serve
2 the people of Abilene and Taylor County in the Texas House of
3 Representatives in a special election held on August 9, 1986, and
4 throughout the ensuing years he has proven time and again just how
5 special he is; and

6 WHEREAS, Now representing Nolan and Taylor Counties, Dr.
7 Hunter shares his abilities in the current legislative session as
8 vice chairman of the House Committee on Regulated Industries and as
9 a member of the House Committee for Government Reform; this genial
10 gentleman also belongs to the House Republican, Rural, and Tourism
11 Caucuses, as well as the Texas Legislative Caucus for Missing &
12 Exploited Children, the steering committee of the House Research
13 Organization, which he chairs, and the House Veterans Coalition,
14 which he previously chaired; and

15 WHEREAS, The five-term chair of the House Committee on State,
16 Federal, and International Relations, Dr. Hunter has made the
17 acquaintance of people from across the globe, and his friendliness
18 and openness in his encounters with visiting dignitaries have
19 helped our international guests to learn that everything is,
20 indeed, big in Texas, including opportunity; and

21 WHEREAS, With a record of service to this state as long as the
22 Rio Grande, Dr. Hunter has also cochaired the House Select
23 Committee on NAFTA and GATT, served as the Texas vice chair for the
24 American Legislative Exchange Council and its Trade and

1 Transportation Task Force, and served on the Economic and Cultural
2 Development Committee for the National Conference of State
3 Legislatures, the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee for the
4 Southern Legislative Conference, and the International Committee
5 for the Council of State Governments; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Hunter is senior vice president emeritus of
7 Abilene Christian University, where this well-read "Wildcat" has
8 shared his expertise since 1956, and he has also cemented his
9 reputation in Abilene as a habitual do-gooder through his
10 involvement with many worthy local organizations ranging from the
11 United Way and Meals on Wheels Plus to the Mental Health Association
12 and the West Texas Autism Center; and

13 WHEREAS, For nearly two decades, Bob Hunter has helped the
14 members of this chamber build positive national and international
15 relationships while treating his fellow Texans pretty darn good as
16 well; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
18 Legislature hereby honor Dr. Bob Hunter for his exceptional public
19 service and officially recognize him as a goodwill ambassador of
20 this chamber for the diplomacy and hospitality he has shown
21 individuals from throughout this nation and countries the world
22 over in his capacity as a state representative.