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H.R. No. 2293

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Parks and Wildlife Department game warden Anthony L.
2 Norton of Athens has been named the 2005 Texas Boating Law
3 Enforcement Officer of the Year; and

4 WHEREAS, Awarded by the National Association of State Boating
5 Law Administrators, this prestigious honor recognizes dedicated
6 men and women who have gone above and beyond their duties as marine
7 patrol officers, and Officer Norton, who has served Region 3 in
8 Henderson County with distinction for nearly eight years, is indeed
9 one such deserving individual; and

10 WHEREAS, Officer Norton currently holds a Master Peace
11 Officer license and is certified with the Commission on Law
12 Enforcement Officer Standards and Education; an active boater,
13 angler, and hunter education instructor, he has received extensive
14 professional training and works to keep local law enforcement, the
15 U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, and the public informed of vital safety
16 information; and

17 WHEREAS, Among his many achievements, Officer Norton has
18 earned the Director's Citation Life Saving Award from the Parks and
19 Wildlife Department; he helped to develop strategies to curtail
20 boating accidents and has prepared and offered
21 boating-while-intoxicated (BWI) awareness courses for local law
22 enforcement and district game wardens; and

23 WHEREAS, Officer Norton lends his time and talents to a
24 number of worthy civic and professional organizations; currently

1 serving on the board of directors of the Athens Masonic Lodge, the
2 Texas Game Warden Association, and the Texas Peace Officers
3 Association, he is also active with the Henderson County Soccer
4 Association, the Teenage Baseball League, and the Malakoff Football
5 Association; and

6 WHEREAS, An immeasurable asset to his agency, Tony Norton is
7 making important contributions to protecting the health and safety
8 of residents and visitors to Henderson County, and he has earned the
9 lasting respect of all who are privileged to work with him; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate Anthony L. Norton on being named
13 the 2005 Texas Boating Law Enforcement Officer of the Year and
14 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
15 further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for Officer Norton as an expression of high regard by the
18 Texas House of Representatives.