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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jimmy M. Ross of Quitaque has been elected president 2 of the International Association of Lions Clubs for 2006-2007, and 3 his selection for this prestigious position is indeed well 4 deserved; and

5 WHEREAS, Chosen by his peers during the association's 89th 6 International Convention, held in Boston from June 30 to July 4, 7 2006, Mr. Ross has been a member of the Lions Club since 1969; he has 8 held numerous leadership roles in the organization, including club 9 president, multiple district secretary, state membership and 10 extension chair, multiple district convention chair, multiple 11 district council chair, and international director; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ross has demonstrated a particular interest in strengthening Lions Clubs through the promotion of community service and membership extension, and he has been involved in chartering more than 500 clubs; in addition, he has participated in eyeglass recycling missions to South America; and

17 WHEREAS, A recipient of the Lions Club's Ambassador of Good 18 Will Award, the highest honor bestowed on association members, and 19 a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Mr. Ross has also been 20 recognized with the District Governor Appreciation Award and the 21 International President's Award on several occasions; and

22 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan organized the Young Adult Sunday 23 School Class at his church and has served as Sunday school 24 superintendent and administrative board chair; he is a rancher and

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1 a former Briscoe County judge, and was the organizing chair of the 2 board of the 911 emergency systems in the 26-county Panhandle region; he has also served on the Water Control and Improvement 3 District Board, the County Appraisal District Board, the District 4 5 Juvenile Probation Board, and the Quitaque Chamber of Commerce 6 Board and was chair of the county Salvation Army; recognized for his 7 civic endeavors and notable achievements, he was selected as Man of 8 the Year by the Quitaque Chamber of Commerce and chosen as an 9 Outstanding Young Man of America by the United States Jaycees; and

10 WHEREAS, In all his pursuits, Mr. Ross receives the love and 11 support of his wife, Velda, their daughters, Julie, Janet, and 12 Sammie-Dee, their sons-in-law, Josh and Cory, and their 13 granddaughter, Braylee; and

14 WHEREAS, Jimmy Ross has earned the respect and trust of Lions 15 Club members across the globe, and his leadership of this notable 16 philanthropic organization will undoubtedly benefit people around 17 the world; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas 19 hereby congratulate Jimmy M. Ross on his election as president of 20 the International Association of Lions Clubs for 2006-2007 and 21 extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 23 prepared for Mr. Ross as an expression of high regard by the Texas 24 House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 31 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 31 was adopted by the Senate on February 26, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor