

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Our esteemed colleague, Harold V. Dutton, Jr., is
2 celebrating his 62nd birthday on February 17, 2007, and this
3 occasion provides a welcome opportunity to recognize his years of
4 outstanding service to his constituents in House District 142 and
5 to all Texans; and

6 WHEREAS, A native of Houston's Fifth Ward, Representative
7 Dutton graduated from Phillis Wheatley High School and earned a
8 bachelor's degree in accounting at Texas Southern University, where
9 he was later honored as a Distinguished Alumnus by the School of
10 Business; he is also a graduate of the Thurgood Marshall School of
11 Law and a member of the school's adjunct faculty; and

12 WHEREAS, Representative Dutton's professional career has
13 encompassed employment as the executive director of the Julia C.
14 Hester House, management positions in corporate planning and
15 economic analysis at Conoco Inc., and service as president of Four
16 Star Broadcasting; a member of the Texas Bar Association, the
17 Houston Bar Association, the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, and
18 the American Association for Justice, he operates the law offices
19 of Harold V. Dutton, Jr., and Associates in Houston, specializing
20 in civil rights and employment discrimination; and

21 WHEREAS, Now in his 12th term in the Texas Legislature,
22 Representative Dutton serves as chair of the House Committee on
23 Juvenile Justice and Family Issues, and is a member of the public
24 education and the general investigating and ethics committees;

1 moreover, he holds a seat on the steering committee of the House
2 Research Organization and on the House Democratic Caucus, and was
3 elected chair of the 25-member Harris County Delegation; and

4 WHEREAS, This distinguished public servant's achievements in
5 the legislature include successful sponsorship of the state's first
6 statutory program to assist women-owned and minority-owned
7 businesses, initiatives to enhance public education, and the
8 creation of incentives to address the issues of insurance
9 availability and affordability in traditionally underserved areas;
10 moreover, he has sponsored legislation that has revamped the
11 juvenile justice system, enabled ex-offenders to regain their right
12 to vote after successful completion of their sentences, and
13 established the state's annual sales tax holiday; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Dutton has been honored by numerous
15 organizations, including the *Houston Forward Times*, the *Hispanic*
16 *Journal*, the Houston Police Officers Association, the American
17 Civil Liberties Union, the Texas Women's Political Caucus, the
18 Harris County Deputy Sheriffs' Association, the Afro-American
19 Sheriff's Deputy Association, and the United States Small Business
20 Administration; a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Kappa Alpha Phi
21 Fraternity, he was named an Outstanding Young Man of America in
22 recognition of his service to his community; and

23 WHEREAS, Harold Dutton is a dedicated public servant whose
24 commitment to the progress and prosperity of the Lone Star State is
25 of immeasurable benefit to all its citizens; now, therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
27 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Harold V. Dutton,

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1 Jr., on the occasion of his 62nd birthday and extend to him sincere
2 best wishes for continued achievement; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Representative Dutton as an expression of high regard
5 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 416 was adopted by the House on
February 15, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House