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H.R. No. 1380

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Johnnie Rountree has long been a devoted supporter
2 of the Galena Park Independent School District, and his notable
3 achievements in this regard are truly worthy of commendation; and

4 WHEREAS, Recognizing the value of education at an early age,
5 Mr. Rountree was determined to earn a diploma after dropping out of
6 high school to care for his father; Galena Park administrators
7 worked to accommodate him, and to express his appreciation, he
8 joined the ex-student association after his graduation, helping to
9 raise enough money to offer the group's first scholarships to local
10 students; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Rountree went on to run for the school board,
12 earning election to the body in 1969; during his 29-year tenure as a
13 trustee, he helped to build a strong working relationship with
14 school administration and ably addressed a number of challenges
15 facing the district; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Rountree currently serves as director of the
17 Galena Park ISD Education Foundation, where he has helped to raise
18 scholarship money for young men and women in need; before joining
19 the group, this talented businessman operated his own successful
20 clothing store, Rountree-Williams, for more than three decades; and

21 WHEREAS, Also active in the greater community, he has been a
22 valued member of the Optimist Club for 40 years and, as a member of
23 the local Jaycees, he worked to ensure that the district has the
24 highest immunization rate in the city; and

1 WHEREAS, An example of a truly outstanding community leader,
2 Johnnie Rountree has provided countless schoolchildren with new
3 opportunities and, in so doing, he has earned the lasting
4 appreciation of citizens throughout Galena Park; now, therefore, be
5 it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby honor Johnnie Rountree for his outstanding
8 service to the Galena Park Independent School District and extend
9 to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Rountree as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.