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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Richard Thomson has been named the Outstanding
2 Baytown Texas Ex for 2007 by the Baytown Texas Exes; and

3 WHEREAS, Better known to Baytown residents as "Dr. Rick,"
4 this local past president and lifetime member of Texas Exes is being
5 honored for his outstanding support of The University of Texas as
6 well as for his many contributions to his community; and

7 WHEREAS, Rick Thomson enrolled at The University of Texas at
8 Austin in 1952, following his graduation from Lamar High School in
9 Houston, and was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity; he left
10 the Austin campus in 1954 to earn his medical degree from The
11 University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston in 1959; and

12 WHEREAS, Following the completion of his internship and
13 residency, Dr. Thomson began what would become a distinguished
14 career as an ophthalmologist in Baytown; he performed more than
15 8,000 surgeries, earned the lasting admiration of countless
16 patients with his warm and often entertaining bedside manner, and
17 traveled to nearly 60 countries, including the former Soviet Union,
18 Mexico, and nations in South America, where he offered his services
19 to underprivileged individuals; and

20 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Dr. Thomson has been
21 supported by his wife, Rose Marie; avid travelers, the couple are
22 active with the Flying Longhorns and plan on celebrating their 50th
23 wedding anniversary with a trip to Barcelona and San Sebastian this
24 summer; and

1 WHEREAS, A respected physician, beloved husband and father,
2 and devoted Longhorn, Dr. Thomson has rendered exceptional service
3 to The University of Texas and the Baytown community; he is a most
4 worthy recipient of this recent honor, and it is a pleasure to
5 recognize him; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Richard Thomson on being
8 selected as the 2007 Outstanding Baytown Texas Ex and extend to him
9 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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