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H.R. No. 2614

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Gary Walston is retiring from his position as
2 director of the Texas Committee for the Employer Support of the
3 Guard and Reserve (ESGR) in June 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, After volunteering his time to serve as the Texas
5 ombudsman coordinator and chairman of the National Committee's
6 Ombudsman Subcommittee, Mr. Walston accepted the reins of the
7 fledgling ESGR program in June 2005; under his able guidance, the
8 Texas Committee for the ESGR has established a full-time support
9 system with a fully staffed and effective office; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Walston's three-decade military career included
11 tenures with the U.S. Air Force and the Air National Guard; before
12 his retirement from active guard status in 1995, he worked with the
13 Pentagon to assist in the development of the Rated Distribution and
14 Training Development program and served as chief of Air National
15 Guard Manpower and Organization, assistant deputy for operations at
16 the 136th Airlift Wing, and commander of the 149th Fighter Wing; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Walston has been a valued member of the Order of
18 Daedalians, the leading military pilot fraternity, which he has
19 served two terms as a director; and

20 WHEREAS, His uncompromising dedication to his fellow guard
21 members has earned the lasting respect and admiration of all who are
22 privileged to know him, and his retirement provides a fitting
23 opportunity to honor him; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

1 Legislature hereby congratulate Gary Walston on the occasion of his
2 retirement from the Texas Committee for the Employer Support of the
3 Guard and Reserve (ESGR) and extend to him sincere best wishes for
4 the future; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Mr. Walston as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives.