

1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is pleased to  
3 recognize Lawrence Wright, who has been awarded the 2007 Pulitzer  
4 Prize for General Nonfiction for *The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and*  
5 *the Road to 9/11*; and

6 WHEREAS, Lawrence Wright graduated from Tulane University in  
7 New Orleans and earned a master's degree in applied linguistics  
8 from the American University in Cairo; he began his writing career  
9 at *The Race Relations Reporter* in Nashville, then wrote for  
10 *Southern Voices* and *Texas Monthly*; he became a contributing editor  
11 to *Rolling Stone* before joining the staff of *The New Yorker*; he has  
12 written several screenplays and published six other books; and

13 WHEREAS, *The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11* was  
14 released in August of 2006 to widespread praise; the book spent  
15 eight weeks on the New York Times bestseller list, was nominated for  
16 the National Book Award, and won the Lionel Gelber Award and the J.  
17 Anthony Lukas Book Prize; and

18 WHEREAS, Among Mr. Wright's other books are *In the New World:*  
19 *Growing Up with America, 1960-1984*, *Remembering Satan*, and *God's*  
20 *Favorite*; he co-wrote the screenplay for *The Siege*, starring Denzel  
21 Washington and Annette Bening; he truly deserves recognition for  
22 his outstanding achievements; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas  
24 hereby commend Lawrence Wright for his many achievements and extend

1 congratulations to him on winning the Pulitzer Prize for General  
2 Nonfiction; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for him  
4 as an expression of high regard from the Texas Legislature.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 70 was adopted by the Senate  
on May 2, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 70 was adopted by the House  
on May 18, 2007.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor