

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1094

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. O. H. "Bud" Frazier for his many contributions to medical science and the field of cardiac transplantation; and

**WHEREAS**, A gifted surgeon, Dr. Frazier trained with Dr. Michael DeBakey and Dr. Denton Cooley; he has performed more than 1,000 heart transplants and was the first surgeon to perform a cardiac transplant in an infant; he has worked in the development of many cardiac devices, including second-generation artificial hearts and left-ventricular assist devices, which assist the heart's main pumping chamber to circulate blood through the body; and

**WHEREAS**, Bud Frazier earned a bachelor's degree from The University of Texas at Austin and a medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine; he now serves as chief of cardiopulmonary transplantation and director of surgical research at the Texas Heart Institute and as chief of transplant services at Saint Luke's Episcopal Hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Frazier pioneered the development of the HeartMate, the first widely used heart pump and performed the first American implantation of the HeartMate II pump, and he also performed the first human implantation of the Jarvik 2000, another heart pump; he was instrumental in the development of AbioCor, the world's first completely internal artificial heart, and continues to work on new devices with colleagues at the Texas Heart Institute; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Frazier's dedication and optimism about the future of artificial devices are an inspiration to his colleagues in the medical community; he has trained 250 medical teams in heart assist device implantation since 1992; he deserves recognition for his perseverance and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. O. H. "Bud" Frazier for his many advances in the field of cardiac medicine and extend to him best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate