

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The Lucchese Boot Company, whose fame as a maker of  
2 exquisite, high-quality boots has spread far and wide, celebrated  
3 its 125th anniversary in 2008; and

4           WHEREAS, Established as the Lucchese Boot and Shoe Factory in  
5 San Antonio in 1883, this venerable Texas firm was founded by Sam  
6 Lucchese and his brothers, who immigrated to Texas from Italy three  
7 years earlier; under Sam Lucchese's direction, the company acquired  
8 an enduring reputation for quality craftsmanship; and

9           WHEREAS, During its first several decades, the Lucchese Boot  
10 Company focused largely on supplying the needs of ranchers and  
11 cavalrymen; the business began to develop a national reputation  
12 after Sam Lucchese's son Cosimo assumed leadership of the company  
13 and began providing boots for celebrities as well; Sam Lucchese,  
14 Jr., grandson of the founder, subsequently put his own stamp on the  
15 family business by designing a boot that further added to the  
16 company's renown; and

17           WHEREAS, Today, the Lucchese boot factory is located in El  
18 Paso, where it produces a wide variety of styles for all occasions;  
19 the company's skilled artisans have created boots for a  
20 distinguished roster of clients, ranging from Gary Cooper, John  
21 Wayne, and Gregory Peck to President Lyndon B. Johnson and Lady Bird  
22 Johnson, and many other notable Texans; and

23           WHEREAS, The members of the 81st Texas Legislature wish to  
24 express their appreciation to Paul LaVoie, President and CEO of the

1 Lucchese Boot Company, Doug Kindy, General Manager, and Fred King,  
2 Director of Marketing, for their extraordinary service to the State  
3 of Texas; and

4 WHEREAS, A classic Texas success story, the Lucchese Boot  
5 Company exemplifies a pride of craftsmanship that has won it  
6 recognition across the country and secured it a proud place in the  
7 western heritage of the Lone Star State; now, therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
9 hereby congratulate Lucchese and commemorate the 125th anniversary  
10 of the Lucchese Boot Company and extend to all those associated with  
11 this outstanding enterprise sincere best wishes for continued  
12 success; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for the company as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Peña
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 226 was adopted by the House on May 18, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 226 was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2009, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor