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H.R. No. 502

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, February 25, 2009, is Texas Dental Association Day,  
2 and this occasion provides a welcome opportunity to honor Dr.  
3 Hilton Israelson of Dallas, President of the Texas Dental  
4 Association; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in South Africa, Hilton Israelson earned his  
6 bachelor's degree from the University of the Witwatersrand in  
7 Johannesburg; he attended dental school and then moved to the  
8 United States to continue his education at Tufts University in  
9 Massachusetts; and

10           WHEREAS, Dr. Israelson began his teaching career at Tufts and  
11 was a faculty member there until he took an assistant professorship  
12 at the Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas in 1979; he went on to  
13 become an assistant clinical professor and associate clinical  
14 professor and was a member of numerous thesis committees; a  
15 specialist in periodontics and implantology, he operates a private  
16 practice in Richardson; and

17           WHEREAS, This esteemed dental professional joined the  
18 American Dental Association in 1999 as a delegate, and he served the  
19 Texas Dental Association in multiple offices, including senior  
20 director and chair of the Future Focus Committee, before being  
21 elected president; and

22           WHEREAS, A number of prestigious awards have been bestowed on  
23 Dr. Israelson over the course of his career, including Dentist of  
24 the Year honors in 2006 from both the Texas Academy of General

1 Dentistry and the Dallas County Dental Society, and the 2008  
2 President's Award from the Texas Society of Periodontists; and

3 WHEREAS, With his achievements as an educator and advocate  
4 and the distinguished work he carries out in his private practice,  
5 Hilton Israelson is making significant contributions to the field  
6 of dentistry that are having an impact throughout the Lone Star  
7 State and beyond; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
9 Legislature hereby honor Dr. Hilton Israelson for his professional  
10 accomplishments and extend to him sincere best wishes for success  
11 in his tenure as president of the Texas Dental Association; and, be  
12 it further

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