

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, John W. Cooper has been inducted into the Odessa
2 Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame, and this occasion provides a
3 fitting opportunity to honor this esteemed Texan; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in San Antonio on June 28, 1925, John Cooper
5 went on to graduate from Alamo Heights High School and to earn a
6 bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University;
7 answering his nation's call to duty, he joined the U.S. Army and
8 served as an officer in the Philippines during World War II; in
9 1947, he married Doris Couch in Gainesville, and the couple were
10 blessed with two children, Deborah and John; they later shared the
11 joy of welcoming four grandchildren into their treasured family;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Since 1952, Mr. Cooper has owned a general
14 construction business in Odessa, and his company has built numerous
15 schools, churches, manufacturing plants, and other structures in
16 Texas, New Mexico, and other states; in addition, Mr. Cooper has
17 served as president of the West Texas chapter of the Associated
18 General Contractors of America, as well as the Kiwanis Club of
19 Odessa, the Odessa Country Club, and the Midland-Odessa Symphony
20 and Chorale; he has also volunteered his time as a board member of
21 the Salvation Army, United Way, Permian Playhouse, Odessa Boys Club
22 Foundation, and Seabury Center, and he has been a faithful
23 congregant of St. John's Episcopal Church for more than five
24 decades; and

1 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his community and his profession, John
2 Cooper has garnered the lasting respect and admiration of his
3 fellow residents, and he may indeed reflect with great pride on his
4 civic contributions; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate John W. Cooper on his induction
7 into the Odessa Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame and extend to him
8 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Cooper as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 954

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 954 was adopted by the House on March 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House