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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Celebrated costume designer and Texas native Van
2 Broughton Ramsey has received the 2008 Costume Designers Guild
3 Honor for Career Achievement in Television; and

4 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Wharton, Mr. Ramsey earned a
5 bachelor's degree in botany and chemistry from Baylor University
6 and a master's degree in restoration architecture from The
7 University of Texas; while working in the latter field, he helped to
8 restore such historic landmarks as the boyhood home of Lyndon
9 Johnson and the Hubbell Trading Post in Arizona; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Ramsey moved to New York City in 1978 to pursue a
11 new career in theatrical costume design, but a meeting in 1981 with
12 another Wharton native, playwright Horton Foote, led to a
13 successful career in film and television; for his first projects,
14 Mr. Ramsey designed the costumes for two films by Mr. Foote, *1918*
15 and *On Valentine's Day*, both of them set in a fictional version of
16 their hometown; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1989, Mr. Ramsey received an Emmy Award for his
18 first television project, the miniseries *Lonesome Dove*, and he went
19 on to win a second Emmy in 1994 for the television film *Oldest*
20 *Living Confederate Widow Tells All*; he has been nominated another
21 four times, for *Sarah, Plain and Tall*, *Buffalo Girls*, *Feast of All*
22 *Saints*, and *Comanche Moon*; he also won the CDG Award for the
23 television film *The Tempest*; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Ramsey has benefited others in his profession

1 through his service on the CDG board of directors and as a governor
2 of the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, representing
3 costume design and supervision; and

4 WHEREAS, For nearly a quarter-century, this talented Texan
5 has brought great distinction to his hometown and to the Lone Star
6 State with his many achievements in the entertainment industry, and
7 he may indeed take justifiable pride in his receipt of this
8 well-deserved accolade; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Van Broughton Ramsey on winning the
11 Costume Designers Guild Honor for Career Achievement in Television
12 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
13 happiness; and, be it further

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