

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Byron Cook of House District 8 is
2 turning 55 years young on April 8, 2009, providing a welcome
3 opportunity to recognize him for his exceptional leadership; and

4 WHEREAS, Compelled to run for office to better the lives of
5 his fellow Texans and to ensure that Texas remains a great state,
6 Mr. Cook brought keen intelligence, discipline, and admirable
7 people skills to his new role when he became a member of the 78th
8 Texas Legislature in 2003; and

9 WHEREAS, Fair, kind, and considerate in all of his dealings,
10 Representative Cook serves as chair of the House Committee on
11 Environmental Regulation, as vice chair of the House Committee on
12 Local and Consent Calendars, and as a member of the calendars and
13 state affairs committees; he previously served as chair of the
14 House Committee on Civil Practices, as vice chair of the economic
15 development and state affairs committees, and as a valued member of
16 the Sunset Advisory Commission; and

17 WHEREAS, This hardworking Texan has earned several
18 significant honors through the years; he was selected as one of the
19 10 best legislators of 2007 by *Texas Monthly* magazine, and he was
20 named the recipient of the prestigious Friends of Medicine Award by
21 the Texas Medical Association; moreover, he was chosen legislator
22 of the month by the Texas Municipal League for his passionate
23 commitment to local government; and

24 WHEREAS, A businessman and rancher by trade, Mr. Cook is a

1 1974 graduate of Navarro College; he is supported in all his
2 endeavors by his wife, Kay, with whom he has shared nearly three
3 decades of marriage and raised two daughters, Ginne and Katie; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Cook has distinguished himself as a
5 straightforward and honest leader who is committed to accomplishing
6 great goals for the people of Navarro, Limestone, Freestone, and
7 Anderson Counties, as well as for all Texans; exemplifying the
8 highest standards of public service, he has justly garnered the
9 respect and admiration of all who are privileged to know him; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Byron Cook on the
13 occasion of his birthday and that he be extended sincere best wishes
14 for continued success; and, be it further

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

Thompson

Straus	Geren	Merritt
Allen	Giddings	Miklos
Alonzo	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Alvarado	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anchia	Guillen	Moody
Anderson	Gutierrez	Morrison
Aycock	Hamilton	Naishtat
Berman	Hancock	Oliveira
Bohac	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bolton	Harless	Orr
Bonnen	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Branch	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Kaufman	Heflin	Parker
Brown of Brazos	Hernandez	Patrick
Burnam	Herrero	Paxton
Button	Hilderbran	Pena
Callegari	Hochberg	Phillips
Castro	Hodge	Pickett
Chavez	Homer	Pierson
Chisum	Hopson	Pitts
Christian	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Cohen	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Coleman	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
Gattis	Menendez	

H.R. No. 1270

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1270 was adopted by the House on April 8, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House