

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Kevin Petroff is celebrating his 36th birthday on
2 April 15, 2009, and this event provides a welcome opportunity to
3 honor this able attorney who has become a familiar presence at the
4 State Capitol; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Petroff has been a staffer with the Harris
6 County District Attorney's Office for more than eight years, and
7 the 81st Texas Legislature marks the second session in which he has
8 served as the office's legislative liaison; and

9 WHEREAS, Known to put himself in the hot seat at times during
10 his visits to the Capitol, he is also personally responsible for
11 expanding the legislative lexicon as the inspiration for the
12 expression "getting Petroffed"; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Petroff's status as a pugnacious warrior is not
14 surprising when we consider his background; like Davy Crockett, he
15 was born in Tennessee and moved to San Antonio, not to fight at the
16 Alamo, but instead to attend Trinity University; he then headed to
17 Houston to complete his studies at the South Texas College of Law
18 and has been a Harris County resident ever since; and

19 WHEREAS, An individual of many interests, Mr. Petroff is a
20 big fan of both Bruce Springsteen and Ryan Adams, which helps to
21 explain why he has been missing in action when these performers made
22 concert appearances in Texas during the 2009 session; he is even
23 more obsessed with the Late Night Burger at Katz's, and his
24 dangerous addiction to the egg-and-beef-bacon-topped sandwich has

1 caused his friends and family to consider staging an intervention;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, He is known affectionately by several names, though
4 he himself has no affection for any of them; Mr. Petroff has long
5 despised the nickname "Petey," but he is even more distressed when
6 acquaintances refer to him as the "Poor Man's Kevin Bacon"; let this
7 resolution serve notice that, henceforth, neither of these terms
8 should ever be used again; and

9 WHEREAS, Now older and wiser, Kevin Petroff has certainly
10 earned his stripes as a highly regarded legal mind and a dedicated
11 public servant; whether he's here at the Capitol or carrying out his
12 duties back home in Houston, he has won the lasting respect of his
13 colleagues and of elected officials from across the state, and he is
14 indeed deserving of fond wishes on this special day; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
17 Legislature hereby honor Kevin Petroff on his 36th birthday and
18 commend him for his fine work at the State Capitol; and, be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Petey Petroff as an expression of high regard by the
22 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1348

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1348 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House