

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dick Messbarger has contributed greatly to the  
2 betterment of his community and the State of Texas for many years;  
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4           WHEREAS, A veteran of the U.S. Navy who served during the  
5 Vietnam War, Mr. Messbarger earned his bachelor's degree from  
6 St. Mary's University, and he worked for a time as the principal of  
7 Corpus Christi Academy before moving to Kingsville in 1972; and

8           WHEREAS, Entering a new career path, he became general  
9 manager of radio stations KINE and KPUP and managing editor of the  
10 *Kingsville Record and Bishop News*; and

11           WHEREAS, Since 1988, Mr. Messbarger has distinguished  
12 himself in Kingsville as executive director of the Greater  
13 Kingsville Economic Development Council; he has further shared his  
14 leadership as president of the Kingsville chapter of the Navy  
15 League, and he currently plays a vital role as secretary of the  
16 Kingsville Area Industrial Development Foundation board and the  
17 Coastal Bend Community Foundation, as a board member of the Coastal  
18 Bend Housing Finance Corporation, and as chair of the Texas  
19 Defense, Aviation, and Aerospace Alliance; and

20           WHEREAS, Mr. Messbarger was named the 2008 Kingsville Citizen  
21 of the Year by the local chamber of commerce, and he was honored  
22 with the Sam Walton Business Leader Award in 1998 and the Community  
23 Economic Development Award from the Texas Economic Development  
24 Council in 1998 and 2000; and

1           WHEREAS, Dick Messbarger has long played a leading role in  
2 the growth and prosperity of Kingsville, and he may indeed reflect  
3 with pride on the many significant contributions he has made to the  
4 betterment of his community; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
6 Legislature hereby commend Dick Messbarger for his exemplary record  
7 of civic engagement and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
8 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 2658

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2658 was adopted by the House on May 31, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House