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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Samuel Loyd Neal, Jr., has ably served 2 the residents of Nueces County as county judge since January 2007, 3 and his knowledge and dedication have earned him widespread respect 4 and appreciation; and

5 WHEREAS, Judge Neal has long worked for the betterment of his 6 community; elected mayor of Corpus Christi in 1997, he was 7 reelected for his fourth and final term in April 2003; under his 8 guidance, the city secured funding to increase crime prevention 9 efforts as well as for street repairs, a multipurpose arena, 10 Packery Channel, and the Bayfront Master Plan; and

11 WHEREAS, Judge Neal has also benefited his fellow residents 12 through his service as chair of the Corpus Christi Regional 13 Economic Development Corporation, the Corpus Christi Chamber of 14 Commerce, the Art Museum of South Texas, and the South Texas 15 Homeport Committee; and

16 WHEREAS, A graduate of Texas A&M University, Judge Neal 17 earned his master of business administration from Texas A&I 18 University in 1973; in addition to a notable career in the insurance 19 industry that spanned more than 40 years, he has been an adjunct 20 professor of insurance at Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi and 21 served over three decades in the active Army and Army Reserve, 22 retiring as a colonel in 1989; and

23 WHEREAS, His exceptional military credentials earned Judge 24 Neal appointment to the Texas Strategic Military Planning

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Commission by Governor George W. Bush and to the Texas Military
Preparedness Commission by Governor Rick Perry; and

3 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to the region he calls home, Judge 4 Loyd Neal has contributed greatly to the quality of life in Nueces 5 County, and his outstanding efforts are making a positive and 6 lasting difference in the lives of countless people; now, 7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 9 Legislature hereby commend the Honorable Samuel Loyd Neal, Jr., for 10 his many years of public service and extend to him sincere best 11 wishes for the future; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for Judge Neal as an expression of high regard by the Texas 14 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2677 was adopted by the House on May 31, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House