

By: Pitts

H.R. No. 2695

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, John H. Turner, Jr., of Ferris has earned the Texas
2 Farm Bureau District 4 Pioneer Award for his significant
3 contributions to the association and to agriculture statewide; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Turner joined the Ellis County Farm Bureau in
5 1957, and he has served as its president and county board member; at
6 the county level, he has been a member of the legislative, policy
7 development, and public relations and parade committees; his other
8 responsibilities for the Farm Bureau have included committee
9 assignments for food check-out week, resolutions, membership, and
10 the Donald Patman election campaign; and

11 WHEREAS, Named Outstanding Conservation Farmer in 1963, Mr.
12 Turner also received the 2007 Family Land Heritage award and was
13 honored with the American Legion 50-Year Recognition award; his
14 outstanding contributions to farming include service on the board
15 of the Integrated Pest Management program, the County Livestock
16 Committee, and the Screwworm Eradication program; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Turner has been president of the Ferris Coop Gin
18 and a board member of the Agricultural Stabilization and
19 Conservation Service and the Farmers Home Administration and served
20 on the planning committee for the County Cotton Festival; in
21 addition, he was a demonstrator for seed varieties, chairman of the
22 County Program Building committee, and host of the local television
23 *Country Reporter* broadcast; and

24 WHEREAS, This active community leader has assumed the

1 responsibilities of director of the Ferris Area Chamber of Commerce
2 and further contributed to the County Tax Equalization and County
3 Jury Selection Pool, the FFA finance committee, and the local 4-H;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The agriculture industry contributes vitally to the
6 economic prosperity of the Lone Star State, and John Turner's
7 tireless efforts to support important agricultural organizations
8 and his notable achievements in farming truly merit special
9 recognition and praise; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate John H. Turner, Jr., of Ferris on
12 earning the Pioneer Award from the Texas Farm Bureau District 4 and
13 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in all of
14 his endeavors; and, be it further

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