

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Johnnie and Joyce Shupak of Frelsburg were named the  
2 2008 Citizens of the Year by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce; and

3           WHEREAS, Originally from Industry, Johnnie Shupak answered  
4 his nation's call to duty, and he met his future wife, the former  
5 Joyce Wostarek, while he was serving in the Vietnam War; the couple  
6 were joined in matrimony on April 4, 1971, and settling in Mrs.  
7 Shupak's hometown of Frelsburg, they shared the joy of welcoming  
8 five children, Charles John, Christopher Dale, Anna Marie, Theresa  
9 Faye, and David Allen; and

10           WHEREAS, Having learned to cook from their parents, Mr. and  
11 Mrs. Shupak decided to open a restaurant in New Ulm to share their  
12 love of entertaining with area residents; they purchased J&J  
13 Pavilion in 2007 and began serving barbecue meals and homemade  
14 desserts the following year; in addition to maintaining a local  
15 business, Mr. and Mrs. Shupak regularly volunteer at such events as  
16 Knights of Columbus fish fries, the firemen's barbecue, and the St.  
17 Peter and Paul Catholic Church bazaar, and Mrs. Shupak has  
18 delivered baked goods to the sick and elderly in the community; and

19           WHEREAS, Through the years, these esteemed Texans have  
20 nurtured a close-knit family, and their children have been active  
21 in the family business; their daughter Anna Marie works at J&J  
22 Pavilion, and while the couple's sons David Allen and Christopher  
23 Dale work with their uncle at Black Creek Drilling, they often find  
24 time to assist with the restaurant operations; Mr. and Mrs. Shupak

1 also take great pride in their daughter Theresa Faye, who has served  
2 in the United States Navy and in the Army National Guard, and they  
3 have been blessed with seven grandchildren, Cody Shupak, Trenton  
4 Wayne Shupak, Dylan Shupak, Megan Shupak, Hanna Krueger, Heather  
5 Krueger, and Trenton Alexander Shupak; although their son Charles  
6 John passed away 16 years ago, the couple have been comforted by  
7 many joyful memories of him; and

8 WHEREAS, With their kindness and generosity, Johnnie and  
9 Joyce Shupak have touched the lives of their fellow citizens, and it  
10 is indeed a pleasure to honor them for their contributions to their  
11 community; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
13 Legislature hereby congratulate Johnnie and Joyce Shupak on being  
14 named the 2008 Citizens of the Year by the New Ulm Chamber of  
15 Commerce and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued  
16 success and happiness; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Shupak as an expression of high regard by  
19 the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2808

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2808 was adopted by the House on June 1, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House