

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 741

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to the late J. Frank Dobie, who is being inducted into the Frontier Times Museum Hall of Honor in Bandera on July 25, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Frontier Times Museum was established in 1933 by J. Marvin Hunter to showcase the exploits of the pioneers whose courage and strength of character played a major role in the opening of the West and the creation of the icon known as the true Texan; and

WHEREAS, J. Frank Dobie was an author, professor, and lecturer who was among the first to recognize that the stories of cowboys and vaqueros were as valid a form of literature as the stories of such authors as Cervantes and Chaucer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobie's pioneering work in collecting the stories of the southwest helped create a renewed pride in our state's history and traditions, and his belief in a liberated mind set an indelible example for generations of men and women of letters; and

WHEREAS, J. Frank Dobie embodied the principles and courage exhibited by the early pioneers memorialized in the Frontier Times Museum, and it is truly fitting that he be given this singular honor on July 25, 2009, the National Day of the American Cowboy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby honor the life and work of J. Frank Dobie; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in grateful acknowledgement of his life and work.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate