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H.R. No. 126

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The rank of Eagle Scout is an achievement shared by
2 many of this nation's leaders, and the attainment of this
3 significant honor by William Noah Bankston also heralds a future
4 bright with opportunity and promise; and

5 WHEREAS, This fine young Texan has mastered a number of
6 important skills in his quest to become an Eagle Scout; he has
7 earned merit badges requiring expertise in such diverse areas as
8 backpacking, small boat sailing, snow sports, and wilderness
9 survival, and gained experience in leadership and teamwork while
10 undertaking his Eagle Scout project, which involved building a
11 stone fire pit and worship ring overlooking Benbrook Lake at the
12 campus of Southwest Christian School in Fort Worth; and

13 WHEREAS, A valued member of Boy Scout Troop 390 and a
14 recipient of the Arrow of Light Award, Mr. Bankston has served his
15 peers as a patrol leader, scribe, and chaplain aide, and in so
16 doing, he has exemplified the many positive traits for which Boy
17 Scouts are renowned; in addition, he took part in the Philmont Scout
18 Ranch Trek in New Mexico in 2008 and was voted into the Order of the
19 Arrow; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Bankston is a 2011 honors graduate of Southwest
21 Christian School, where he played soccer and football and was a
22 member of the National Honor Society; active in the Highland Park
23 United Methodist Church in Dallas, he also enjoys travel and
24 outdoor activities such as skiing, horseback riding, hiking,

1 camping, and hunting; he will attend Texas Tech University in the
2 fall of 2011 to study business; and

3 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Bankston enjoys the
4 love and support of his family, which includes his parents, Cathy
5 and Jimmy Bankston, and his siblings, Emmett, Hollis, Jacob,
6 Rachel, Rebecca, and Gabriel; his mother served as the den leader of
7 his Cub Scout pack, and his four brothers have all participated in
8 scouting; and

9 WHEREAS, In fulfilling the rigorous requirements for
10 attaining the Eagle Scout insignia, Noah Bankston has demonstrated
11 an unwavering commitment to the organization and its ideals, and
12 the knowledge and confidence he has acquired along the way will
13 indeed serve him well in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
15 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate William Noah
16 Bankston on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout and extend to him
17 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Mr. Bankston as an expression of high regard by the
21 Texas House of Representatives.