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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Gentry "Ace" Little attained a notable milestone on
- 2 February 5, 2011, when he completed the radio broadcast of his 900th
- 3 game, covering a 58-40 victory by the Brock High School girls'
- 4 basketball team over rival Godley High School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Ace Little began his career in radio sports
- 6 broadcasting in 1982, when he began working at KETR-FM in Commerce;
- 7 in September of that year, he called his first game, a football
- 8 contest in which Commerce High School beat North Lamar 27-14; he
- 9 continued to announce games while working on his bachelor's degree
- 10 at East Texas State University, and he graduated in 1987 with a dual
- 11 major in radio and television broadcasting and physical education;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, In the nearly three decades that encompass
- 14 Mr. Little's career, he has performed both color commentary and
- 15 play-by-play work; he often employs his talents to call football
- 16 and basketball games and has broadcast those sports for such high
- 17 schools as Commerce, Weatherford, Cleburne, Hillsboro, Aledo,
- 18 Peaster, Brock, Azle, and Springtown; and
- 19 WHEREAS, A versatile announcer who is at home with any type of
- 20 athletic competition, he has also covered baseball, softball, and
- 21 volleyball; he was the play-by-play man for the Weatherford
- 22 Wranglers baseball team of the Texas Collegiate League and has been
- 23 the voice of the Weatherford College basketball and Hill College
- 24 baseball and softball teams as well; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, On-air game duties are just one facet of
- 2 Mr. Little's career, as he has also worked as a producer, news
- 3 director, sports director, and writer; in addition to being
- 4 employed by a number of radio stations in North Texas, he has worked
- 5 for the USA Radio Network and as an assistant sports information
- 6 director at the University of North Texas; since 2002, he has been
- 7 at KYQX in Weatherford; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Widely respected for his abilities in the broadcast
- 9 booth, he was honored by having Ace Little Day proclaimed by the
- 10 Weatherford City Council on the occasion of broadcasting his 300th
- 11 football game, and he was inducted into the Skyline High School
- 12 Athletic Hall of Fame in 1999 and named Texas High School
- 13 Broadcaster of the Year by Texas Monthly in 2006; and
- WHEREAS, Through his work in sports broadcasting, Ace Little
- 15 has entertained and informed numerous residents of the Lone Star
- 16 State, and his expertise and skilled delivery have made him a
- 17 trusted voice on the Texas airwaves; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby congratulate Ace Little for delivering his 900th
- 20 radio gamecast and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 21 success; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for Mr. Little as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 24 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 439 was adopted by the House on March 22, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House