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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

14           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

18           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.