

R E S O L U T I O N

1       WHEREAS, For the past five decades, Thomas Eugene Carnes has  
2       contributed significantly to Freemasonry in the Lone Star State and  
3       beyond; and

4       WHEREAS, A sixth-generation Mason, Gene Carnes first became  
5       involved with the order in 1962 when he petitioned Harlandale Lodge  
6       No. 1213 in San Antonio; he has since been affiliated with Bandera  
7       Lodge No. 1123, Rising Star Lodge No. 429, Kendall Lodge No. 897,  
8       Fredericksburg Lodge No. 794, Tranquility Lodge No. 2000, and Point  
9       Isabel Lodge No. 33, of which he is a charter member, and he has  
10      served as lodge master on multiple occasions; and

11      WHEREAS, Beyond the local level, Mr. Carnes has served as the  
12      district deputy grand master of the 51st Masonic District and as  
13      chair of its special assignments committee and committee on work;  
14      he was appointed grand marshal of the Grand Lodge of Texas in 1999  
15      and is the current grand representative to the Grand Lodge of  
16      Nebraska; he has further distinguished himself through the years as  
17      grand junior warden, grand senior warden, and deputy grand master,  
18      and he was elected as grand master on December 4, 2010; and

19      WHEREAS, Mr. Carnes maintains numerous memberships in  
20      auxiliary Masonic organizations as well, among them the Texian York  
21      Rite College No. 60, St. Anthony Conclave, Red Cross of  
22      Constantine, the Allied Masonic Degrees, Alzafar Shrine, Royal  
23      Order of Scotland, and Texas Lodge of Research; and

24      WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan is retired from the United

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1 States Air Force Civil Service, where he worked as a logistics  
2 management specialist; in all of his endeavors, he enjoys the love  
3 and support of his wife, Gay, and their two sons, Larry and James;  
4 moreover, his family includes three grandchildren and two  
5 step-grandchildren; and

6 WHEREAS, Through his leadership and dedication, Gene Carnes  
7 has made a positive difference in the lives of thousands of his  
8 Masonic brothers, giving selflessly for the betterment of the  
9 order, and he is indeed deserving of recognition for his  
10 outstanding efforts; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
12 Legislature hereby honor Gene Carnes for his many contributions to  
13 Freemasonry in the State of Texas and beyond, and extend to him  
14 sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for Mr. Carnes as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
17 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1025 was adopted by the House on April 7, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House