

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In celebration of the 65th anniversary of KWTX Radio
2 in Waco, a reunion of past and present employees is being held on
3 April 29, 2011, and this occasion offers a welcome opportunity to
4 pay tribute to KWTX and to M. N. Bostick, the man who guided the
5 station for a half-century; and

6 WHEREAS, A group of Waco businessmen, including future Texas
7 governor Beauford Jester, applied for a radio broadcast license in
8 1941; after a delay caused by World War II, KWTX began airing on May
9 1, 1946; its mix of music, news, sports, and drama was overseen by
10 station manager M. N. "Buddy" Bostick; and

11 WHEREAS, Born in Moody on May 18, 1918, Buddy Bostick learned
12 to play the guitar and yodel at a young age, and he began making
13 appearances on a weekend radio show; he managed the Baylor
14 University radio station while a student there and then took
15 announcing jobs in Little Rock, Memphis, and Dallas; after
16 interrupting his broadcasting career for gunnery school during the
17 war, he became the manager of KWTX at the age of 28; and

18 WHEREAS, During the following five decades, Mr. Bostick
19 presided over a growing media company that debuted KWTX-TV in 1955
20 and KBTX-TV out of Bryan-College Station in 1957, purchased
21 stations in Victoria, Oklahoma, and Louisiana, and introduced an FM
22 radio station in 1970; he received the Pioneer Broadcaster of the
23 Year Award from the Texas Association of Broadcasters and marked
24 his 50th anniversary with KWTX Radio in 1996; and

1 WHEREAS, The radio stations were sold to GulfStar
2 Communications that year, and this notable Texan went on to be
3 active in banking and philanthropic work; he also helped in the
4 development of the Waco Mammoth Site; and

5 WHEREAS, Throughout his notable career in radio, Buddy
6 Bostick was responsible for entertaining and informing numerous
7 residents of the Lone Star State, and his contributions to the Texas
8 airwaves are indeed worthy of commendation; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
10 Legislature hereby commemorate the 65th anniversary of KWTX in Waco
11 and honor Buddy Bostick for his 50 years in broadcasting; and, be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
14 for KWTX and for Mr. Bostick as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.

Anderson of McLennan

H.R. No. 1257

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1257 was adopted by the House on April 11, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House