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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable William "Bill" Yeoman was named the

2009 Citizen of the Year by the Katy Area Chamber of Commerce at its

3 annual gala on February 12, 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, The Katy Area Chamber of Commerce bestowed this

5 prestigious honor on Judge Yeoman in recognition of his outstanding

6 leadership and service to the community; as the Harris County

7 justice of the peace for Precinct 5, Place 2, Judge Yeoman presided

8 over approximately 130,000 cases per year in what is perhaps the

9 largest criminal and civil court in Texas; in meeting the demands of

10 his office, he drew on a considerable range of skills as he reviewed

11 civil, small claims, and eviction cases, issued warrants, and

12 performed weddings and funerals; he earned a reputation for

13 fairness and for giving each case his utmost respect and attention;

14 and

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WHEREAS, While sitting on the bench, Judge Yeoman worked

16 diligently to educate citizens about the law and their rights; he

17 was also passionate about encouraging an appreciation for the

18 sacrifices made by the nation's founding fathers and about

19 promoting the study of the U.S. Constitution; throughout his

20 tenure, he fought student truancy, recognizing that our entire

21 society is adversely affected when children fail to receive a

22 proper education; and

WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Harris County, Bill Yeoman

24 earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Houston; he was

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- 1 first elected as justice of the peace in 1979, and he served his
- 2 community with distinction until he took his well-deserved
- 3 retirement in 2010; in all his endeavors, he has enjoyed the love
- 4 and support of his wife, Terry, and his daughter, Erin; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Bill Yeoman made significant contributions to the
- 6 betterment of Katy and Harris County over the course of his more
- 7 than three decades as a public servant, and he may take justifiable
- 8 pride in his exceptional record of achievement; now, therefore, be
- 9 it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Judge Bill Yeoman on being named
- 12 the 2009 Citizen of the Year by the Katy Area Chamber of Commerce
- 13 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and,
- 14 be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for Judge Yeoman as an expression of high regard by the
- 17 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1767 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House