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H.R. No. 1767

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable William "Bill" Yeoman was named the
2 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

15 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

23 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Harris County, Bill Yeoman
24 earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Houston; he was

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.