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H.R. No. 1076

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Dennis Hummel is retiring from Victoria
2 College on May 12, 2013, bringing to a close nearly five decades of
3 service as a history professor; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Victoria, Michael Hummel received an
5 associate's degree from Victoria College in 1962, after which he
6 transferred to Baylor University to study history and religion,
7 earning a bachelor's degree with honors in 1964 and a master's
8 degree the year after; he later resumed his education at North Texas
9 State University and completed his doctorate in American history;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, In 1965, Dr. Hummel joined the history faculty at
12 Victoria College; during his 48 years as an educator, he has been
13 deeply involved in the development of academic and administrative
14 policy through his service on a wide range of planning and advisory
15 boards; he has chaired the Victoria College Academic Affairs
16 Committee and the Victoria College Lyceum, and for 17 years he has
17 served as president of the Victoria College Faculty Senate; he has
18 also been an active member of the Texas Community College Teachers
19 Association and has served on several of its committees; and

20 WHEREAS, This esteemed educator has likewise been active in
21 his community and has been particularly supportive of the local
22 arts and music scene; a founding member of the boards of both the
23 Victoria Symphony Society and the Victoria Bach Festival
24 Association, he has held a multitude of leadership and

1 administrative posts for both organizations; along with his
2 involvement in cultural programs, he has worked with area
3 organizations and committees in behalf of public schools, and he
4 presently serves as a commissioner for the City of Victoria Parks
5 and Recreation Department; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Hummel was named a Victoria College
7 Distinguished Alumnus in 2008; the university further recognized
8 his service by nominating him for the Piper Professor Award in 1994,
9 1995, and 1998, and he has also been honored by the University of
10 Houston-Victoria with a 2008-2009 Community Partnership Award and a
11 1995 People Who Make a Difference Award; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Hummel's energy, expertise, and
13 commitment to excellence have contributed significantly to the
14 Victoria College community, and he may reflect with great pride on
15 the legacy that he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
17 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Michael Dennis Hummel on his
18 retirement from Victoria College and extend to him sincere best
19 wishes for the future; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Dr. Hummel as an expression of high regard by the Texas
22 House of Representatives.