

By: Bonnen of Galveston

H.R. No. 1095

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Robert Bear has been honored with the 2012 Service  
2 Award from Knights of Columbus Council No. 10393 in Hitchcock; and

3           WHEREAS, A valued parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic  
4 Church and an esteemed member of the Knights of Columbus, Mr. Bear  
5 has served as Grand Knight for four years and has been named Knight  
6 of the Year five different times; his myriad contributions to the  
7 council include helping to secure the construction of the new  
8 Knights of Columbus Hall; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Bear has also given freely of his time and  
10 talents to a number of community organizations; he currently serves  
11 as a member of the Santa Fe, Texas, Education Foundation Board of  
12 Directors and as president of the Santa Fe Area Historical  
13 Foundation, an organization in which he previously held the office  
14 of secretary; in addition, he is a member of the Veterans of Foreign  
15 Wars and the Sons of Confederate Veterans; deeply attached to the  
16 area where he has such strong roots and close ties, Mr. Bear has  
17 also published four booklets on local history; and

18           WHEREAS, Born in Galveston in 1937, Mr. Bear captained the  
19 football team, played baseball and basketball, and excelled at  
20 track while a student at Santa Fe High School; he graduated in 1956  
21 and joined the U.S. Army, serving for six years and spending time in  
22 Korea and other parts of Asia; following his discharge from the  
23 military, he worked for Water Control and Improvement District No.  
24 8 for three years before joining Monsanto as a supervisor in its

1 maintenance department, a position he held for three decades until  
2 his retirement; and

3 WHEREAS, Robert Bear and his wife, Sara, exchanged their  
4 wedding vows in 1959 and have shared more than half a century of  
5 marriage; over the years, they have been blessed with a fine family  
6 that includes four children and eight grandchildren; and

7 WHEREAS, In appreciation of his long record of civic  
8 engagement, Mr. Bear was named an Outstanding Alumnus of Santa Fe  
9 High School in 2011 and was selected by the Santa Fe Chamber of  
10 Commerce as its 2011 Man of the Year; and

11 WHEREAS, Through his tireless endeavors, this esteemed Texan  
12 has greatly benefited both his church and his community and  
13 enriched the lives of many fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
15 Legislature hereby congratulate Robert Bear on his receipt of the  
16 2012 Service Award from Knights of Columbus Council No. 10393 and  
17 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mr. Bear as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
20 House of Representatives.