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H.R. No. 1678

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Ron Hickman, Harris County Precinct 4 constable, has
2 been named the National Constable of the Year by the National
3 Constables and Marshals Association, marking the second occasion
4 that he has received this prestigious accolade; and

5 WHEREAS, First elected to serve Precinct 4 in 2000, Constable
6 Hickman has helped to build what is now one of the largest
7 constable's departments in the United States; he has developed a
8 number of task forces and units, including those enforcing
9 emissions standards, battling human trafficking, and addressing
10 technological crime; he was named Texas Constable of the Year in
11 2006 and first chosen as National Constable of the Year in 2007; and

12 WHEREAS, Constable Hickman entered the Houston Police
13 Department as a cadet in 1971, was a search and rescue diver with
14 the department's dive team and served as a dive master and
15 coordinator for nearly 10 years, and was also part of the
16 department's bomb squad; and

17 WHEREAS, He became a patrol deputy in the constable's
18 department in 1983 and was soon promoted to sergeant with
19 responsibility over the communications office; in that capacity, he
20 contributed to the establishment of a consolidated, computer-aided
21 dispatching system, and he built a local area network for the
22 office; he has further benefited the constable's department by
23 advancing the electronic warrant and electronic citation programs
24 and other technological systems; and

1 WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Alabama and the Law
2 Enforcement Management Institute of Texas at Sam Houston State
3 University, Constable Hickman has served as an information
4 technology instructor at the institute; he is the vice chair of the
5 local executive board for the Greater Houston Regional Computer
6 Forensic Lab and a member of the FBI's National Steering Committee
7 for its regional computer lab program; and

8 WHEREAS, Constable Hickman has shared his time and talents as
9 chair of a committee of the Texas Supreme Court Process Server
10 Review Board, as president of the Justices of the Peace and
11 Constables Association of Texas, as president of the Sam Houston
12 State University Leadership Command College Alumni Association,
13 and as a member of committees of the Tomball Hospital Board of
14 Directors; he has received awards from the Houston Northwest
15 Chamber of Commerce and the Polaris District of the Boy Scouts of
16 America; and

17 WHEREAS, An exemplary peace officer and elected official, Ron
18 Hickman has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the residents
19 of Harris County for more than four decades, and he is indeed
20 deserving of recognition; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
22 Legislature hereby congratulate Ron Hickman on his selection as the
23 National Constable of the Year by the National Constables and
24 Marshals Association and extend to him sincere best wishes for
25 continued success; and, be it further

26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
27 prepared for Constable Hickman as an expression of high regard by

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1 the Texas House of Representatives.