

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Judge Samuel Loyd Neal, Jr., was honored with a 2013
2 Educational Leader Award from the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Founding
3 Chapter of the American GI Forum of Texas on May 9, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, The American GI Forum was organized in Corpus
5 Christi in 1948 by army veteran Dr. Hector P. Garcia to promote
6 equality for Hispanic American service members; the AGIF has since
7 been at the forefront of civil rights struggles and today supports
8 several key programs with a focus on Hispanic education, veterans
9 outreach, and employment; the group's inaugural chapter in Corpus
10 Christi, named for its founder, annually recognizes area leaders in
11 education; and

12 WHEREAS, Judge Neal served more than a quarter-century as an
13 adjunct professor of insurance at Texas A&M University-Corpus
14 Christi, and he is an inspiring example of civic engagement as well;
15 elected four times as mayor of the city, he is now serving his
16 second term as a Nueces County judge; this dynamic Texan has further
17 given back as president of the Texas Municipal League, as chair of
18 the Corpus Christi Economic Development Corporation, as chair of
19 the local chamber of commerce, and as chair of the Art Museum of
20 South Texas; he is respected for his military experience, including
21 more than 30 years in the active army and Army Reserve, and he was
22 appointed by Governor George W. Bush to the Texas Strategic
23 Military Planning Commission in 1997 and reappointed by Governor
24 Rick Perry to the Texas Military Preparedness Commission in 2005;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Judge Samuel Neal has demonstrated an outstanding
3 commitment to making Corpus Christi an even better place in which to
4 live and work, and this award justly recognizes his numerous
5 accomplishments in behalf of his fellow residents; now, therefore,
6 be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Judge Samuel Loyd Neal, Jr., on his
9 receipt of a 2013 Educational Leader Award from the Dr. Hector
10 P. Garcia Founding Chapter of the American GI Forum of Texas and
11 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success with his
12 important work; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Judge Neal as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2734

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2734 was adopted by the House on May 26, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House