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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. David McKee, retired professor of marine 2 biology at Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi, has been named 3 professor emeritus by The Texas A&M University System Board of 4 Regents; and

5 WHEREAS, Emeritus status is conferred on select former 6 faculty members and administrators in recognition of their 7 significant contributions to the educational community; many of 8 these distinguished educators continue to serve the university 9 during their retirement; and

WHEREAS, A member of the A&M--Corpus Christi faculty for more 10 11 than a quarter-century, Dr. McKee made a lasting impression on the 12 Department of Life Sciences, helping to develop the current master's program in fisheries and mariculture, implementing the 13 14 annual assessment of Oso Bay, and acquiring approximately \$2 million in external funding for student research; in addition, he 15 16 served as the university's representative on the South Texas Regional Agriculture Council, as faculty sponsor of the A&M--Corpus 17 Christi Fisheries and Aquaculture Society, and as chair of the 18 Student Activities Committee of the U.S. Chapter of the World 19 20 Aquaculture Society; he has published two books and is currently 21 working on his third; and

22 WHEREAS, Held in high esteem by his colleagues, Dr. McKee is 23 a recipient of the Conservation and Environmental Stewardship Award 24 from the Coastal Bend Bays Foundation; and

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1 WHEREAS, Through his myriad endeavors in behalf of Texas A&M 2 University--Corpus Christi, Dr. David McKee has contributed 3 immeasurably to advancing the mission of that school, and he is 4 indeed deserving of this most recent accolade; now, therefore, be 5 it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. David McKee on his designation 8 as professor emeritus at Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi and 9 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and 10 happiness; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Dr. McKee as an expression of high regard by the Texas 13 House of Representatives.