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H.R. No. 2839

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Those Texans who give freely of their time and
2 talents to benefit their fellow citizens make the world a better
3 place through their actions and their example, and Pete Schenkel of
4 Dallas is being recognized for his exceptional community service by
5 being named a recipient of a 2015 Profiles in Leadership Award; and

6 WHEREAS, A longtime civic and business leader, Mr. Schenkel
7 is the former vice chair of the board for Dean Foods and has served
8 as a member or chair of numerous other boards and organizations; he
9 currently holds membership on the boards of Grand Bank, the
10 Methodist Health System and its fund-raising arm, and the Dallas
11 Blue Foundation, a nonprofit that provides financial assistance to
12 the families of wounded or fallen police officers; in addition, he
13 is a member of the executive committee of the State Fair of Texas
14 board, and in recognition of his involvement in South Dallas, the
15 state fair's scholarship program is named in his honor; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Schenkel is committed to sharing the rewards of
17 his labors and has focused especially on addressing health and
18 education issues faced by those less fortunate; he and his wife,
19 Pat, are generous benefactors of Dallas Methodist Hospital, where
20 their gifts helped to fund a new trauma center in the city's
21 southern sector; they have also supported Meals on Wheels, the
22 Visiting Nurse Association, New Friends New Life, and Arms of Hope
23 children's homes, and they are the recipients of the first ever
24 Norman Brinker Humanitarian Award from Wipe Out Kids' Cancer in

1 honor of their charitable endeavors; and

2 WHEREAS, The strength and unity of our cities are enhanced by
3 the devoted efforts of individuals such as Pete Schenkel, whose
4 tireless work has contributed immeasurably to the quality of life
5 in Dallas; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Pete Schenkel on his receipt of a
8 2015 Profiles in Leadership Award and commend him on his exemplary
9 record of civic engagement; and, be it further

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