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H.R. No. 2844

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dr. Gary Mounce is retiring from The University of  
2 Texas--Pan American in 2015, drawing to a close a notable career in  
3 academia that has spanned more than half a century; and

4           WHEREAS, Dr. Mounce earned his bachelor's degree at Oklahoma  
5 State University in 1960, his master's degree at the University of  
6 California, Berkeley in 1964, and his doctorate at The University  
7 of Texas at Austin in 1977, all in political science; and

8           WHEREAS, After working as a teaching assistant at The  
9 University of Texas in the 1960s, Dr. Mounce went on to serve as an  
10 assistant professor at St. Mary's University from 1968 to 1972, and  
11 during that time, he was a visiting professor at Trinity University  
12 from 1970 to 1971 and at Incarnate Word College from 1971 to 1972;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, Since the fall of 1974, Dr. Mounce has been a member  
15 of the political science department at The University of Texas--Pan  
16 American, where over the past four decades he has taught a variety  
17 of courses in the politics of Latin America; he has also served the  
18 department on several committees, and he has been a member of the  
19 UTPA faculty senate and the university's Publications Board,  
20 Library Committee, Latin American Studies Committee, and  
21 International Committee; additionally, he was a visiting professor  
22 at Universidad de las Americas in Cholula, Mexico, from 1979 to  
23 1981; and

24           WHEREAS, This respected educator is a member of the Latin

1 American Studies Association, the Southwest Conference of Latin  
2 American Studies, the Western Social Science Association, and the  
3 Western Political Science Association, and he is the author of many  
4 academic articles and papers, as well as a book, *After Santo*  
5 *Domingo, What?;* and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Mounce's erudition, expertise, and dedication  
7 have greatly benefited his students and The University of  
8 Texas--Pan American; he has earned the respect and admiration of  
9 his colleagues, and he may indeed take great pride in his notable  
10 career; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
12 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Gary Mounce on his retirement  
13 from The University of Texas--Pan American and extend to him  
14 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for Dr. Mounce as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
17 House of Representatives.