By: Flynn   H.R. No. 329

R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Donald Herbert Metch of Canton was honored with the
2 2016 Texas Farm Bureau Pioneer Award for District 5 at the
3 organization's annual meeting in San Antonio; and
4   WHEREAS, Each year, this prestigious award is given to
5 individuals from each of TFB's 13 districts for their outstanding
6 contributions to the Farm Bureau and to agricultural initiatives;
7 and
8   WHEREAS, Mr. Metch joined the Van Zandt County Farm Bureau in
9 1982 and has since served as secretary for the county's board of
10 directors, volunteered with the association's Planet Agriculture
11 exhibit at the State Fair of Texas, and encouraged political
12 education and advocacy through his involvement with the
13 organization's forums, debates, and political candidate events;
14 and
15   WHEREAS, A farmer and rancher by trade, Mr. Metch has been
16 named a Van Zandt County Agriculturalist of the Year, and he has
17 received recognition as a top hay and beef producer; over the years
18 he has been active in such organizations as the Texas Association of
19 Nurserymen, Texas Polled Hereford Association, and 4-H; he has also
20 served his community as a volunteer firefighter, and he is a valued
21 member of Four Mile Lutheran Church; and
22   WHEREAS, Donald Metch has dedicated many years to the growth
23 and sustainment of the state's agricultural industry and to the Van
24 Zandt County community at large, and he may surely reflect with

1 pride on these notable achievements; now, therefore, be it

2   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

3 Legislature hereby congratulate Donald Herbert Metch on his receipt

4 of a 2016 Texas Farm Bureau Pioneer Award and extend to him sincere

5 best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it

6 further

7   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

8 prepared for Mr. Metch as an expression of high regard by the Texas

9 House of Representatives.