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H.R. No. 732

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Our esteemed colleague, the Honorable John Raney, is
2 receiving his 50th anniversary Masonic service pin in 2019; and

3 WHEREAS, Representative Raney first joined the Masons in
4 1969, and he has been an active member of a number of Masonic
5 organizations in the Brazos Valley, including the Blue Lodge in
6 Bryan and St. Alban's Lodge No. 1455 in College Station, as well as
7 the Robert E. Lee Lodge No. 431 in Henderson; in addition, he
8 served as District Deputy Grand Master of District 29A in 2002; and

9 WHEREAS, A regular member of the Houston Scottish Rite, 33rd
10 Degree, Representative Raney served as president of the Steve Cooke
11 Scottish Rite Club in College Station; moreover, he is affiliated
12 with the York Rite Ivanhoe Commandery in Bryan and the Arabia Temple
13 in Houston; he has also served as president of the Brazos Valley
14 Shrine Club; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Raney is a sixth-generation Texan
16 and a graduate of Stephen F. Austin High School in Bryan and Texas
17 A&M University, Class of 1969; he founded the Texas Aggieland
18 Bookstore in 1969, and he has served in leadership roles with the
19 Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce and the Republican Party
20 of Brazos County; moreover, he has been an active member of First
21 United Methodist Church for nearly six decades; and

22 WHEREAS, Since 2011, John Raney has represented House
23 District 14 in the Texas Legislature, where he has served with
24 distinction as vice chair of the Higher Education Committee and as a

1 member of the International Relations and Economic Development,
2 Appropriations, Transportation, and House Administration
3 Committees, among others; and

4 WHEREAS, For the past half century, John Raney has
5 exemplified the highest ideals of Freemasonry, and it is indeed a
6 pleasure to join in recognizing him for this remarkable
7 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable John Raney on his
10 receipt of a 50th anniversary Masonic service pin and extend to him
11 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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