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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, David Pearson of Cedar Park rendered 16 years of 2 outstanding service to the Texas Organization of Rural & Community 3 Hospitals, and it is indeed fitting that he be recognized for his 4 significant contributions; and

5 WHEREAS, An experienced executive and a longtime advocate for rural hospitals, Mr. Pearson previously served as director of 6 operations for the State Office of Rural Health in Texas; joining 7 TORCH in 2001, he served as vice president of advocacy and 8 communications for six years before taking on the role of president 9 and CEO in 2006; during his tenure, he was directly responsible for 10 11 several subsidiary organizations, including the Texas Association 12 of Rural Health Clinics and the Texas Hospital Home Health 13 Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson holds a bachelor's degree in health care administration and a master's degree in public administration from Texas State University as well as board certification in health care management from the American College of Healthcare Executives; earlier in his career, he served in management positions at several rural and urban hospitals in Kansas and notably led a 12-member rural hospital cooperative as executive director; and

21 WHEREAS, Active in many professional organizations, 22 Mr. Pearson is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare 23 Executives, and he has served in leadership positions with the 24 National Rural Health Association, the American College of Small or

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Rural Healthcare, the Texas A&M Health Science Center School of
 Public Health, and other related boards and committees; and

3 WHEREAS, Through his work with TORCH, David Pearson has 4 proven himself to be a dedicated champion of rural health care in 5 the State of Texas, and he may take well-deserved pride in his 6 exceptional record of achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
Legislature hereby honor David Pearson for his years of service to
the Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals and extend to
him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 739 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House