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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 Hospitals, and it is indeed fitting that he be recognized for his 3 significant contributions; and 4 5 WHEREAS, An experienced executive and a longtime advocate for rural hospitals, Mr. Pearson previously served as director of 6 7 operations for the State Office of Rural Health in Texas; joining 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

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WHEREAS, Active in many professional organizations,

Mr. Pearson is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives, and he has served in leadership positions with the National Rural Health Association, the American College of Small or

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- 1 Rural Healthcare, the Texas A&M Health Science Center School of
- 2 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
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby honor David Pearson for his years of service to
- 9 the Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals and extend to
- 10 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.