

By: Craddick

H.C.R. No. 9

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, John C. Owens of Lubbock is receiving a  
2 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Texas Tech Alumni Association  
3 on November 17, 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, Each year, the Texas Tech Alumni Association honors  
5 graduates of Texas Tech University who have made a significant  
6 impact on the lives of others through their professional  
7 achievements and community involvement; and

8 WHEREAS, John Owens attended Texas Tech on a four-year  
9 baseball scholarship, and in his senior year, he was named an  
10 All-Southwest Conference player; he earned a bachelor's degree in  
11 physical education in 1971 and a master's degree in education in  
12 1973; for a year, he played professionally with the San Francisco  
13 Giants organization; he joined the Texas Tech Athletic Department  
14 in 1973 and rose to become associate athletic director for business  
15 development; in 1979, he embarked on a new career that would span 42  
16 years in the banking industry; he cofounded PlainsCapital  
17 Corporation and PlainsCapital Bank and served as chair of  
18 PlainsCapital Bank West Texas Region; now retired, he is a member of  
19 the advisory boards for PlainsCapital Bank in Lubbock and Dallas;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his alma mater, Mr. Owens served as  
22 chair of both the Texas Tech Foundation and the Texas Tech Red  
23 Raider Club, and he was president of the Texas Tech University  
24 Lettermen's Association; moreover, he is a member of the Texas Tech

1 Alumni Association and the Texas Tech Executive Round Table;  
2 benefiting the wider community, he is a charter member and former  
3 vice chair of the Lubbock Power and Light Electric Utility Board,  
4 and he currently serves on the board of Carillon Senior Living; he  
5 has also served on the Texas Baptist Foundation Board, and he is a  
6 supporter of numerous charitable organizations, including the  
7 American Cancer Society, the March of Dimes, the American Heart  
8 Association, and the Lubbock Area United Way; and

9 WHEREAS, The accomplishments of noteworthy alumni are a  
10 source of great pride to all those associated with Texas Tech, and  
11 John Owens is indeed deserving of this prestigious honor; now,  
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
14 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate John C. Owens on being  
15 named a Distinguished Alumni by the Texas Tech Alumni Association  
16 and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it  
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mr. Owens as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
20 House of Representatives and Senate.