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H.R. No. 86

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Roderick Kennedy of Houston has been chosen to
2 receive an Outstanding Texan award by the Texas Legislative Black
3 Caucus in recognition of his many notable contributions in the area
4 of entertainment; and

5 WHEREAS, The Outstanding Texan award was created to honor
6 individuals who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to
7 improving, developing, and enriching the lives of others; and

8 WHEREAS, As the band instructor at Ralph E. Kirby Middle
9 School, Mr. Kennedy introduces students to the joys of music,
10 inspiring countless youths with his invigorating teaching style;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Kennedy realized at a young age that music was in
13 his blood, and he was determined to find a profession that enabled
14 him to share this passion with others; he received a bachelor's
15 degree in music education from Prairie View A&M University and
16 later returned to earn a master's degree in music performance; and

17 WHEREAS, Since Mr. Kennedy began his tenure at Kirby Middle
18 School, his pupils have been invited to play at the Liberty Bowl in
19 Memphis and the Gator Bowl in Florida, a great honor for the
20 students and for their teacher; and

21 WHEREAS, This dedicated gentleman has worked hard to make his
22 dreams a reality, and through his successes, the lives of Kirby
23 Middle School children are forever enriched; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

1 Legislature hereby congratulate Roderick Kennedy on being named an
2 Outstanding Texan by the Texas Legislative Black Caucus and extend
3 to him sincere best wishes for success and happiness in his future
4 endeavors; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Mr. Kennedy as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives.