

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Curtis E. Ransom of Coppel has been named an  
2 Outstanding Texan in the business category by the Texas Legislative  
3 Black Caucus; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Ransom is the president and owner of CERP Foods,  
5 Inc., and Ransom Management, Inc., and has operated as a KFC  
6 franchisee since 1990, with 10 KFC locations and two Pizza Hut  
7 Express units in the Dallas/Fort Worth and Austin markets; in  
8 addition, he is an active member of the KFC National Chef Council  
9 and is a past president of the KFC Minority Franchise Association  
10 and the KFC Dallas/Fort Worth Advertising Cooperative; and

11           WHEREAS, Before embarking on this impressive career, Mr.  
12 Ransom earned a bachelor's degree in business management from  
13 Hampton University in Virginia and a master's degree from Virginia  
14 Commonwealth University; he also held middle and senior management  
15 positions with C&P Telephone Company, SmithKline Corp., and  
16 Pro-Line Corp.; and

17           WHEREAS, A member of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating  
18 Board, this esteemed gentleman gives generously of his time and  
19 talents in support of a number of noteworthy initiatives, including  
20 the Dallas County Community College Foundation, the Dallas Black  
21 Chamber of Commerce, and the Dallas Urban League; furthermore, he  
22 serves on the board of trustees for Hampton University; and

23           WHEREAS, A recipient of the 16th Annual Quest for Success  
24 Award from the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, Curtis E. Ransom is

1 a visionary businessman, a dedicated state and community leader,  
2 and an inspiration to all who know him, and it is a pleasure to  
3 recognize his most recent achievement; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Curtis E. Ransom on his receipt of  
6 an Outstanding Texan Award in the business category from the Texas  
7 Legislative Black Caucus and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
8 continued success; and, be it further

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

Giddings

H.R. No. 167

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 167 was adopted by the House on  
February 6, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House