By: Giddings H.R. No. 167

RESOLUTION

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

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

and the KFC Dallas/Fort Worth Advertising Cooperative; and

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

WHEREAS, A member of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, this esteemed gentleman gives generously of his time and talents in support of a number of noteworthy initiatives, including the Dallas County Community College Foundation, the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Dallas Urban League; furthermore, he 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

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- 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.