

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Tony McMillan, executive vice president and general
2 manager of the Expo Center of Taylor County, Inc., was recently
3 named Manager of the Year by the Texas Association of Fairs and
4 Events; and

5 WHEREAS, A deserving recipient of this prestigious award, Mr.
6 McMillan assumed his current post on October 1, 1989; he also has an
7 impressive record of volunteer contributions to the Expo Center,
8 having served terms as treasurer, vice president, and president of
9 the facility's board of directors before becoming general manager;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Among his many duties at the Expo Center, this
12 esteemed administrator is responsible for overseeing all bookings
13 for the 117-acre complex, including negotiating pricing and
14 contracts; for maintaining relationships with clients, as well as
15 with the city, county, and chamber of commerce and the Convention
16 and Visitors Bureau staff; for coordinating county and state inmate
17 work crews for special projects; and for managing Expo Center
18 staff; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition to excelling in his regular duties, Mr.
20 McMillan is also credited with helping to bring such popular annual
21 events to the center as the Texas High School Rodeo Association
22 State Finals, the Texas State 4-H Horse Show, the Western Heritage
23 Classic, and the Coors Silver Bullet Team Roping Finals; and

24 WHEREAS, A board member and former president of the Texas

1 Association of Fairs and Events, Mr. McMillan has given generously
2 of his time and talents in support of other civic organizations as
3 well, including the United Way, 4-H, the Taylor County Livestock
4 Association, FFA, Wylie Junior Rodeo Club, and the Kiwanis Club of
5 Abilene; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. McMillan's devotion to his career and community
7 are surpassed only by his love of family; he married his wife, Gail,
8 on December 22, 1955, and they have been blessed with five children
9 and nine cherished grandchildren; and

10 WHEREAS, This outstanding Texan can take great pride in his
11 many achievements, as his efforts have helped to make Taylor County
12 a better place to live and work, and it is a pleasure to honor him on
13 his recent accolade; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
15 Legislature hereby congratulate Tony McMillan of Abilene on being
16 named Manager of the Year by the Texas Association of Fairs and
17 Events and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success
18 and happiness; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 674

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 674 was adopted by the House on April 8, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House