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H.R. No. 761

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Mike and Diane Easley were recently honored by the  
2 Houston Heights Association as its Citizen of the Year for their  
3 long-standing involvement in making their community an even better  
4 place in which to live; and

5           WHEREAS, Houston Heights, founded in 1891, is one of the  
6 state's oldest planned communities; developed by Oscar Carter and  
7 the Omaha Texas Land Company, this charming, eclectic neighborhood  
8 is beloved by many for its distinctive Victorian homes, wonderful  
9 antique stores and specialty shops, and popular annual events; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Easley, who have lived in the Houston  
11 Heights area since 1980, were members of a coalition that raised  
12 \$500,000 to renovate Milroy Park, a project that spanned 10 years,  
13 and they have hosted a number of fund-raising events for the  
14 community in their own home; strong supporters of local  
15 initiatives, the couple has also worked tirelessly to increase  
16 corporate sponsorships, amend deed restrictions, secure funding  
17 for the Heights Boulevard beautification project, and protect the  
18 historical integrity of the community; and

19           WHEREAS, These dynamic Texans have played a key role in the  
20 success of the Houston Heights Association, an organization founded  
21 in the early 1970s to promote the revitalization and improvement of  
22 the Houston Heights neighborhood; Mrs. Easley, a manufacturing  
23 professional, has chaired the popular Spring Home Tour and, in  
24 addition, has been involved with the association's Holiday Home

1 Tour; Mr. Easley, who is a certified public accountant, has helped  
2 the association to maintain solid financial footing over the years  
3 through his work as treasurer, board member, and president of the  
4 association; and

5 WHEREAS, Committed civic leaders and caring neighbors, the  
6 Easleys have earned a special place in the hearts of their fellow  
7 "Heightsites," and the couple's shared belief in the importance of  
8 volunteerism is both admirable and inspiring; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Diane and Mike Easley on their  
11 selection by the Houston Heights Association as its Citizen of the  
12 Year and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success  
13 and happiness in their future endeavors; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for the Easleys as an expression of high regard by the  
16 Texas House of Representatives.