

By: Wong

H.R. No. 1419

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives is pleased to recognize  
2 Michael Cemo on his receipt of a Distinguished Alumnus Award from  
3 the Houston Alumni Organization; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Cemo was honored at the Houston Alumni  
5 Organization Awards Dinner on April 11, 2003, at the University  
6 Hilton Hotel; the men and women selected for these prestigious  
7 tributes have been unwavering in their service and support in  
8 behalf of the University of Houston (UH); and

9 WHEREAS, The Distinguished Alumnus Award is given each year  
10 to UH alumni whose contributions have benefited society as well as  
11 reflected favorably on their alma mater; each recipient has shown  
12 an ongoing commitment to maintaining the growth and stature of the  
13 university; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Cemo graduated from UH in 1968 with a bachelor's  
15 degree in economics and in 1972 joined American Capital Management  
16 as executive vice president of sales and marketing and as a board  
17 member; in 1988, he accepted the presidency of AIM Management  
18 Group, a marketing and sales company whose managed assets totaled  
19 less than \$10 billion then and today top \$125 billion; and

20 WHEREAS, At the helm of AIM Distributors, Inc., as president  
21 and CEO, Mr. Cemo also serves on its executive management committee  
22 as well as on the board and executive management committee of its  
23 parent company, AMVESCAP, PLC, which manages in excess of \$350  
24 billion in assets and conducts business in 25 countries; and

1           WHEREAS, His civic support includes board participation with  
2 the Houston Museum of Natural Science and the Society for the  
3 Performing Arts; further, he is serving a six-year term on the  
4 University of Houston System Board of Regents to which he was  
5 appointed in 2001 by Governor Rick Perry; and

6           WHEREAS, Michael Cemo's outstanding leadership and untiring  
7 devotion to the University of Houston and his community have truly  
8 enhanced the lives of his fellow citizens, and he is a notable role  
9 model for all those who are privileged to know or know of him; now,  
10 therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Michael Cemo on his  
13 receipt of a Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Houston Alumni  
14 Organization and extend to him best wishes for success and  
15 happiness in his future endeavors; and, be it further

16           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Mr. Cemo as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
18 House of Representatives.