

By: Wong

H.R. No. 1420

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Martinez 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, A 1977 graduate of the UH Law Center, Mr. Martinez is
15 a partner with the firm of McFall, Martinez, Sherwood, Breitbeil &
16 Sullivan, P.C.; in addition to his expertise in the arena of
17 international law, he is also highly regarded as a speaker and
18 author and for his generosity with his time as a volunteer; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Martinez has worked for the betterment of his
20 community in his roles as a Port of Houston Authority commissioner,
21 a University of Houston System regent, a chairman of the State Bar
22 of Texas board, and as a director on the boards of the Houston
23 Museum of Fine Arts, the Texas Department of Commerce, the Greater
24 Houston Partnership, and the Methodist Health Care System; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2002, he was named the top "Go-To-Lawyer" in
2 Texas for international law based on a peer review by 72,000 of the
3 state's lawyers and judges; in addition, his well-deserved
4 accolades include being named among the Jaycees' "Five Outstanding
5 Young Houstonians" and "Five Outstanding Young Texans"; and

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

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Vidal Martinez 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. Martinez as an expression of high regard by the
18 Texas House of Representatives.