

By: Hunter

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Earl Young of Dallas is a noted Texas businessman  
2 who brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his interests  
3 across the globe; and

4           WHEREAS, A consultant, corporate officer, and board member  
5 for many companies in the United States and abroad, Mr. Young is a  
6 director of Madagascar Resources, an Australian-based heavy  
7 mineral mining company, Diamond Fields International Ltd., a  
8 diamond mining company, and Aurora Energy, a natural gas company  
9 based in Michigan; and

10           WHEREAS, He is a personal friend of the president of  
11 Madagascar, His Excellency Marc Ravalomana, and serves as president  
12 of the U.S.-Madagascar Business Council; in his role as president  
13 and CEO of Madagascar World Voice, Mr. Young is working in  
14 cooperation with World Christian Broadcasting on the construction  
15 of a shortwave radio station in Mahajunga in order to broadcast a  
16 message of hope and freedom to some three billion shortwave radio  
17 receivers around the world; and

18           WHEREAS, A caring corporate neighbor, he is a member of the  
19 board of directors of the Corporate Council on Africa, a nonprofit  
20 organization based in Washington, D.C., with a membership that  
21 represents nearly 85 percent of all American private sector  
22 investments in Africa; he further serves the global community  
23 through his participation with the CCA AIDS task force, an advisory  
24 group that works with the U.S. government and the private sector to

1 alleviate the worldwide health problems presented by this disease;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Closer to home, Mr. Young was a key figure in the  
4 naming of the track and field team of Abilene Christian University  
5 as the "Sports Dynasty of the Century" by *Texas Monthly* magazine; an  
6 All-American in track and field at Abilene Christian, this  
7 world-class athlete represented the United States on the 1963 Pan  
8 American Team and on numerous international teams, establishing  
9 four American and four world records; moreover, he was a member of  
10 the 1960 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team, placing sixth in the  
11 400-meter race, winning a gold medal in the 1600-meter relay, and  
12 setting a new Olympic record, and he appeared on the cover of *Sports*  
13 *Illustrated* as an outstanding Olympian from Abilene Christian  
14 University; and

15 WHEREAS, The founding chair of the Olympians' Relief Fund,  
16 Mr. Young has served on the board of the U.S. Olympic Alumni  
17 Association and as president of the Southwest Chapter of Olympians;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Today, this esteemed Texan enjoys spending time with  
20 his lovely wife, Nancy, and their two children, Stacey and Grant,  
21 and he continues to contribute to many worthwhile endeavors, both  
22 in his community and around the world; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
24 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby honor Earl Young for his  
25 many achievements and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
26 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Mr. Young as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
2 House of Representatives.