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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, All Star Family Connections, Inc., has announced the  
2 recipients of the 2006 Achievement Awards; and

3 WHEREAS, An organization that aims to identify critical  
4 issues facing African American families, All Star Family  
5 Connections encourages family reunions, scholarships and academic  
6 counseling, historical preservation, and other worthy endeavors in  
7 an effort to renew a spirit of collective responsibility; and

8 WHEREAS, In celebration of Juneteenth 2006, the group is  
9 honoring descendants of Milton and James Patton, who were  
10 cofounders of St. Mary's Colony; this African American farming  
11 community was established by emancipated slaves on land in Bastrop  
12 County that was willed to them by their former owners, James and  
13 Mary Doyle; and

14 WHEREAS, The 2006 Achievement Award Recipients are: Barbara  
15 Carruthers Hancock, academics, Johnnie Wilson Hearne, civics, Mary  
16 Patton Thomas, corporate, Mary Townsend Garrison, education,  
17 Iraina Green Crenshaw, entertainment, James Alexander,  
18 entrepreneurship, Bennie Matthews, government, Imogene Cavanaugh  
19 Schuler, health and medicine, Denise Vitra Munday, law and law  
20 enforcement, Moriam Walker, military, Marvin Crenshaw, political,  
21 Addie Lorraine Walker, religion, Paula Wiley, social service, Alvin  
22 Matthews, sports, Richard Dixon, trades, and Tommie Crenshaw, work  
23 ethics; and

24 WHEREAS, In recognizing these notable individuals, All Star

1 Family Connections seeks to instill community pride and to  
2 celebrate achievement over obstacles; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
4 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the  
5 recipients of the 2006 All Star Family Connections Achievement  
6 Awards and extend to them best wishes for the future; and, be it  
7 further

8       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for these fine men and women as an expression of high  
10 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.