

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Richard J. DeSanto has rendered exceptional service
2 to Mental Health Corporations of America, Inc., in his capacity as
3 chairman of the MHCA Board of Directors from 2002 to 2004; and

4 WHEREAS, A national alliance of select behavioral health
5 organizations, MHCA is designed to help its members achieve better
6 and more efficient health care delivery; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. DeSanto joined the MHCA board in 1995 and
8 quickly proved himself a significant asset to that body through his
9 financial expertise; he served two terms as treasurer and one as
10 vice chairman before assuming the chairmanship, and he continues as
11 a member of the executive committee through 2005; and

12 WHEREAS, During Mr. DeSanto's tenure as board chairman, MHCA
13 adopted a new mission statement, formally recognized best practices
14 for ensuring customer satisfaction, and worked to help member
15 organizations derive the maximum benefit from advances in
16 information system technology; moreover, under his guidance, MHCA
17 created the International Initiative for Mental Health Leadership,
18 a forum whose membership today includes England, New Zealand,
19 Australia, Scotland, Ireland, Canada, and the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, MHCA has benefited tremendously from the wise and
21 skilled leadership that Dick DeSanto has brought to its board of
22 directors, and it is a pleasure to join in acknowledging his
23 outstanding work in behalf of community behavioral health
24 providers; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commend Richard J. "Dick" DeSanto for his
3 outstanding service as chairman of the Mental Health Corporations
4 of America, Inc., Board of Directors and extend to him sincere best
5 wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mr. DeSanto as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.

Berman

H.R. No. 286

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 286 was adopted by the House on
February 24, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House