

By: Wong

H.R. No. 787

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Harry Gee, Jr., of Houston received the 18th Annual
2 Leon Jaworski Award from the Houston Bar Association Auxiliary on
3 March 1, 2005, for his extraordinary service to his community; and

4 WHEREAS, The award honors a member of the Houston Bar
5 Association who is civic-minded, professionally capable, socially
6 and culturally concerned, family-oriented, and morally and
7 spiritually aware; the program seeks to inform and educate the
8 public about the dedication of lawyers to their practice and their
9 community; and

10 WHEREAS, For three decades, Mr. Gee, of the law firm Harry Gee
11 and Associates, has contributed his time to numerous civic and
12 professional organizations; he presently serves as chair of the
13 American Leadership Forum and as a member of the boards or advisory
14 boards of the Greater Houston Partnership, the Institute of
15 International Education, United Way, the blood bank, JPMorgan Chase
16 Bank Houston, The University of Texas Health Science Center, the
17 University of Houston Law School, the Child Abuse Prevention
18 Council, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority; and

19 WHEREAS, In the past, as a member of the executive board of
20 the Super Bowl Host Committee and chair of the Community Relations
21 Committee, Mr. Gee helped establish two youth education town
22 centers in Houston, with a generous donation of \$3.5 million by the
23 NFL and the Super Bowl Host Committee; he has also served as the
24 president and chair of the Friends of the Houston Public Library and

1 helped to increase revenues from its annual book sale; for four
2 years, he assumed the role of president of Sister Cities of Houston,
3 Inc., an organization dedicated to the promotion of cultural,
4 educational, and economic interests between Houston and its 16
5 sister cities around the world; and

6 WHEREAS, A committed advocate of educational opportunities,
7 Mr. Gee was elected in 1999 as chair of the Leadership Education for
8 Asian Pacifics, Inc., and he has volunteered his time for countless
9 schools and universities; to further support higher education, his
10 family established a presidential scholarship in immigration law at
11 The University of Texas; and

12 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Harry Gee enjoys the support
13 of his wife, Antje, and their children, Andrew, Claudia, and Sonja;
14 his unyielding dedication to his community is an inspiration to all
15 those who are privileged to know him, and he is certainly deserving
16 of this prestigious award; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
18 Legislature hereby congratulate Harry Gee, Jr., on his receipt of
19 the 18th Annual Leon Jaworski Award from the Houston Bar
20 Association Auxiliary and extend to him sincere best wishes for
21 continued achievement; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. Gee as an expression of high regard by the Texas
24 House of Representatives.