

By: Cook of Colorado

H.R. No. 956

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pharmacist Steve K. Balas, owner of Eagle Lake  
2 United Drugs, received the 2004 Michael L. Houston Award presented  
3 by United Drugs at the company's annual membership meeting and  
4 technology conference held in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

5 WHEREAS, Created in 2001 to honor the CEO of United Drugs, the  
6 award is given to a member pharmacist who contributes to the  
7 betterment of the cooperative, the pharmacological profession, and  
8 the pharmacist's community; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Balas, who has owned his business since 1984, is  
10 widely admired for the personal attention he shows his customers,  
11 whether he's delivering a prescription to a patient's home or  
12 checking on a neighbor's health; and

13 WHEREAS, He further demonstrates a noteworthy commitment to  
14 his fellow Texans through volunteering with his church, on advisory  
15 boards and commerce organizations, and as a member of rice  
16 producer/agricultural coalitions; and

17 WHEREAS, Also a member of the United Drugs Texas State  
18 Council, he works in behalf of independent pharmacies by lobbying  
19 in Austin and Washington, D.C.; and

20 WHEREAS, Steve Balas has earned the trust and respect of his  
21 customers and his colleagues, and his exceptional efforts in behalf  
22 of his profession and his community are an inspiration to all who  
23 know him; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

1 Legislature hereby congratulate Steve K. Balas on his receipt of  
2 the 2004 Michael L. Houston Award from United Drugs and extend to  
3 him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

4         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for Mr. Balas as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
6 House of Representatives.