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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Max Lucado was named America's Best Preacher in the
2 April 2005 issue of *Reader's Digest* for his service as senior pulpit
3 minister of Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, and this honor provides
4 a fitting opportunity to reflect on his remarkable career; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Lucado is a graduate of Abilene Christian
6 University, and before assuming his current role in 1988, he served
7 the Central Church of Christ in Miami, Florida, and spent five years
8 performing missionary work in Brazil; and

9 WHEREAS, This esteemed spiritual leader is a prolific author
10 and has published more than 70 books, many of which have spent time
11 on best-seller lists; one such work, titled *When God Whispers Your*
12 *Name*, was the number one best-selling hardback for eight
13 consecutive months; Mr. Lucado has further distinguished himself as
14 the winner of six Gold Medallion Awards and as general editor of the
15 *New Century Version Inspirational Study Bible*; and

16 WHEREAS, With more than 28 million copies of his books in
17 print, Mr. Lucado also hosts a popular radio program, "UpWords,"
18 which is heard daily in 47 states on more than 1,000 stations; he
19 has received much renown for his inspiring spiritual leadership and
20 was named one of the seven most admired Christians by *Christianity*
21 *Today* magazine; and

22 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, he enjoys the support of his
23 wife, Denalyn, and their three beloved daughters; Max Lucado shares
24 with his 5,000-member congregation, as well as his readers and

1 listeners, a forgiving doctrine of unconditional love and
2 acceptance, and he is a source of great pride to his church and his
3 community; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Max Lucado on being named America's
6 Best Preacher by *Reader's Digest* and extend to him sincere best
7 wishes for continued success and fulfillment; and, be it further

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