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H.R. No. 2169

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, James W. Keyes, president and chief executive
2 officer of 7-Eleven, Inc., has received a 2005 Horatio Alger Award
3 and was inducted as a lifetime member of the Horatio Alger
4 Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc.; and

5 WHEREAS, The award recognizes individuals who have overcome
6 humble beginnings and adversity to achieve great success; members
7 of the association serve as mentors and sponsor need-based
8 scholarships awarded annually to high school seniors; and

9 WHEREAS, Born in Grafton, Massachusetts, Mr. Keyes earned his
10 bachelor's degree from Holy Cross College in Worcester,
11 Massachusetts, and his master's degree in business from Columbia
12 University in New York; before joining 7-Eleven's former
13 subsidiary, CITGO Petroleum, in 1985, he held various positions
14 with Gulf Oil Corporation; and

15 WHEREAS, This esteemed professional has served as the
16 corporation's chief financial officer, executive vice president,
17 and chief operating officer; a member of the board of directors
18 since 1997, he was elected president and CEO in April 2000, and he
19 currently oversees more than 26,000 7-Eleven stores in the United
20 States, Canada, and 17 other countries and U.S. territories; and

21 WHEREAS, James Keyes is an exceptional businessman who truly
22 embodies the spirit of this prestigious award by demonstrating that
23 hard work, perseverance, and integrity are the cornerstones of
24 success; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate James W. Keyes on his receipt of
3 the Horatio Alger Award and extend to him sincere best wishes for
4 continued achievement; and, be it further

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