

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, James S. Taylor of Austin has made an exceptional
2 contribution to the State of Texas as a member of the board of the
3 Mexican American Legislative Leadership Foundation (MALLF); and

4 WHEREAS, MALLF is dedicated to the professional development
5 of Latino youth and sponsors the Moreno/Rangel Legislative
6 Leadership Program, which provides opportunities for undergraduate
7 and graduate students to serve as policy interns and fellows for
8 members of the Texas House of Representatives; and

9 WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mr. Taylor is president and founder
10 of CIMA Strategies, Ltd.; raised in Ciudad Victoria, Mexico, he
11 earned his bachelor's degree in international studies from Texas
12 State University and pursued graduate studies at the Lyndon B.
13 Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at
14 Austin; he also completed the Executive Program at Stanford
15 University; and

16 WHEREAS, Widely respected for his knowledge of Mexico's
17 political and business environments, this esteemed professional
18 was founding director of Public Strategies, Inc., vice president of
19 Burson-Marsteller in Washington, D.C., and a presidential
20 appointee to the United States International Trade Commission; and

21 WHEREAS, In May 2005, Mr. Taylor launched an Austin-based
22 consulting firm in partnership with veteran strategists Matthew
23 Dowd and Blaine Bull and former communications adviser to President
24 George W. Bush Tucker Eskew; the firm, ViaNovo, will provide

1 communications, media relations, and strategy advice, and will have
2 offices in Austin, Washington, D.C., and Monterrey, Mexico; and

3 WHEREAS, Committed to the political and civic needs of Texas,
4 Mr. Taylor is active with numerous policy boards and nonprofit
5 organizations, including the Council on Foreign Relations, the
6 Mexican American Leadership Foundation, the Tomas Rivera Policy
7 Institute, and United Way Capital Area in Austin; and

8 WHEREAS, The strength of our communities depends on the
9 dedication of individuals like James Taylor, who has consistently
10 worked to promote government and civic participation, and it is a
11 privilege to recognize his accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
13 Legislature hereby honor James S. Taylor for his outstanding
14 service as a member of the board of the Mexican American Legislative
15 Leadership Foundation and extend to him sincere best wishes for
16 continued achievement; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Mr. Taylor as an expression of high regard by the Texas
19 House of Representatives.

Gallego

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Anderson	Goolsby	Morrison
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Berman	Guillen	Nixon
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Bonnen	Hamric	Olivo
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Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Otto
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Burnam	Hegar	Pena
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Casteel	Hill	Pitts
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Chavez	Hodge	Quintanilla
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Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Ritter
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Crownover	Hupp	Seaman
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Dutton	Kolkhorst	Taylor
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Eissler	Laney	Turner
Elkins	Laubenberg	Uresti
Escobar	Leibowitz	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Luna	Veasey
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Flynn	Martinez Fischer	West
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H.R. No. 2304

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2304 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House