

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 180

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Lieutenant Colonel Michael Fossum, who is receiving the 2005 Rio Grande Council Good Scout Award for exemplifying the values of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Fossum is a United States Air Force reserve officer assigned to the F-16 Fighting Falcon system program and one of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) astronauts who will fly on space shuttle mission STS-121 planned for November, 2005; a 1980 graduate of The Texas A&M University, he has worked as capsule communicator for NASA for 11 years; and

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of America prepares young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the scout oath and law; and

WHEREAS, The Good Scout Award recognizes men who were good role models as Boy Scouts and continue to be as adults and who have made significant contributions to their country and to the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Michael Fossum lives his life according to the Boy Scout ideals, and his career will serve as an inspiration to young people today; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Lieutenant Colonel Michael Fossum for his outstanding accomplishments and extend to him congratulations on earning the Good Scout Award; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Lieutenant Colonel Fossum as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 17, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate