

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 936

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mike Branch, president of Branch-Smith Publishing for his service to retailers, growers, and landscapers in the horticulture business; and

WHEREAS, Mike owns and operates Branch-Smith Publishing, a fourth-generation family business in Fort Worth; and

WHEREAS, Branch-Smith Publishing has set a standard of excellence for small businesses in Texas by winning the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, which recognizes exemplary achievements and performance excellence in business; and

WHEREAS, Through his publishing business, Mike has provided green-industry members with tools and information and has developed effective communications vehicles for the nursery and landscaping industry; he has been a member of the Texas Nursery and Landscape Association board of directors since 1996, serving as chair in 2004 through 2005; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Mike Branch for his accomplishments in publishing and his expertise in providing information to green-industry members and promoting the nursery and landscape industry; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate