By: Dutton H.R. No. 660

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Argentina M. James has been named as a recipient of the Audrey Lawson Impact Award for service in the community, and her selection for this honor is indicative of the positive effect she has had on the lives of her fellow citizens; and WHEREAS, Mrs. James, who holds degrees in journalism and

WHEREAS, Mrs. James, who holds degrees in journalism and communications from Texas Southern University, is the director of public affairs for the Port of Houston Authority, a challenging position in which she oversees all aspects of community relations, government relations, media marketing, and media relations; she demonstrates excellence in leadership through her affiliation with numerous boards, including the Memorial Hermann Healthcare System, the Houston Imagine Group, the Houston Area Urban League, Inc., and Texas Executive Women, among others; and

WHEREAS, This dynamic woman has garnered many awards and accolades both for her community service efforts and for her professional achievements; over the past 20 years, she has helped raise some \$20 million for local and national nonprofit organizations, and she was recently honored by being named conference vice president for the International Association of Ports and Harbors for 2007; and

21 WHEREAS, By taking a proactive role in her community, 22 Argentina James has rightfully earned the respect and admiration of 23 her family, friends, and neighbors, and her receipt of this award is 24 indeed well deserved; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

Legislature hereby congratulate Argentina M. James on her receipt

of the Audrey Lawson Impact Award for service in the community and

extend to her best regards for continued success in all her

endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

7 prepared for Mrs. James as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.