

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, For more than 40 years, the U.S. Small Business  
2 Administration has recognized outstanding small business owners  
3 for their contributions to the nation's economy during National  
4 Small Business Week; and

5           WHEREAS, The SBA Houston District Office, which serves 32  
6 counties and some 350,000 businesses, is honoring 10 outstanding  
7 individuals on May 11, 2007, at the Small Business Week Awards  
8 Luncheon; the event is being sponsored by the Houston chapter of  
9 SCORE, a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education  
10 and the formation, growth, and success of the nation's small  
11 businesses; and

12           WHEREAS, Constance Jones has been named the Minority Small  
13 Business Champion of the Year; a graduate of the University of  
14 Southern California, Ms. Jones currently serves as the director of  
15 member services for the Houston Minority Business Council, where  
16 she is the liaison between the group and the more than 1,000  
17 minority business owners in the Bayou City; and

18           WHEREAS, This outstanding Texan's advocacy has included work  
19 with Microsoft, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and the NAACP; she  
20 encouraged North Harris Montgomery Community College and Houston  
21 Community College to offer practical educational courses for the  
22 minority business community, and she has given of her time and  
23 talents to the Houston Minority Business Development Center, SBA,  
24 Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Houston Area Urban League, and

1 TAMACC; and

2 WHEREAS, Small businesses are the lifeblood of cities and  
3 towns across the country, and National Small Business Week provides  
4 a welcome opportunity to honor those men and women who contribute to  
5 the economic vitality of their communities through their  
6 professional endeavors; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Constance Jones on her selection as  
9 the 2007 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year by the Houston  
10 District Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration and  
11 extend to her best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Ms. Jones as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
14 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1902

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1902 was adopted by the House on May 18, 2007, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House