

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Joel Tabar, a McClendon Legislative Scholar in the
2 office of Representative Ruth McClendon for the 80th Legislative
3 Session, has been accepted into The University of Texas School of
4 Law for the fall 2007 semester; and

5 WHEREAS, This talented and hardworking young man joined the
6 United States Air Force at the age of 17 as an emergency medical
7 technician so that he could help save lives; after attending
8 St. Philip's College and Palo Alto College, he entered The
9 University of Texas at San Antonio, where he earned academic
10 acclaim while completing his studies in criminal justice; cited on
11 the UTSA Honors President's List, he graduated summa cum laude in
12 May 2007 with a 4.0 grade point average; he also received perfect
13 marks at the UTSA Summer Law School Preparation Academy and has
14 earned the Certificate of Legal Reasoning; and

15 WHEREAS, Active in a number of academic organizations, Mr.
16 Tabar has been president of the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership
17 Honor Society, vice president of the Alpha Chi Honor Society, and
18 sergeant-at-arms of the Omega Nu Epsilon Criminal Justice
19 Fraternity; in addition, he has served as the professional
20 development chair of Phi Alpha Delta and a supplemental instructor
21 for the UTSA criminal justice department; and

22 WHEREAS, While at UTSA, Mr. Tabar has continued to serve his
23 country in the Air Force ROTC, and he was named General Military
24 Course Cadet in 2005 and promoted to Professional Officer Course

1 Cadet, Material Management Officer in 2006; despite the many
2 demands on his time, he has helped build houses for Habitat for
3 Humanity and is a founding member of the UTSA voter registration
4 drive; and

5 WHEREAS, During his time as a legislative scholar this
6 session, Mr. Tabar has impressed his colleagues with his
7 reliability and responsibility, acting as point man in assisting
8 Representative McClendon with her work on the Appropriations
9 Committee; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Tabar's drive, good humor, and commitment to
11 excellence have impressed all who know him; as he prepares to enter
12 law school, and as he and his wife April and their son Gabriel look
13 forward to this next chapter in their lives, it is fitting to pay
14 tribute to him; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Joel Tabar on his acceptance into
17 The University of Texas School of Law and extend to him very best
18 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

McClendon

H.R. No. 2530

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2530 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House