

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 609

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Don Strange of Texas, Incorporated, for its selection as a recipient of the 2006 Mutual of America Community Partnership Award; and

WHEREAS, Well known as a giant in the food service industry, Don Strange of Texas, Incorporated, is now being recognized for the major role it has played in helping troubled youths of the San Antonio area; and

WHEREAS, The company joined with Roy Maas' Youth Alternatives, Incorporated, in 2003 to help create the "Helping Hands" program, which promotes nutrition and physical fitness and provides mentorship for troubled youths; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, Don Strange launched a spin-off to the "Helping Hands" program called "Breakfast of Champions"; in this program, young people from Youth Alternatives have monthly breakfast meetings with corporate executives and other community leaders; and

WHEREAS, During these meetings, executives and community leaders communicate to young people the importance of good nutrition and its impact on having a sound mind and body; the program also emphasizes the values of physical fitness, and Don Strange of Texas has hosted the children of Youth Alternatives at its Hill Country ranch to participate in numerous physical activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Don Strange of Texas, Incorporated, for its many contributions to the youth of the San Antonio and extend congratulations to this exemplary company for earning the Mutual of America Community Partnership Award; and, be it further

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

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 29, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate