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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Agricultural Lifetime 2 Leadership X and XI classes are visiting the State Capitol as part 3 of their studies, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity 4 to honor this worthwhile initiative and its participants; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1987 as part of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service of The Texas A&M University System, TALL is 6 7 devoted to the development of outstanding leaders in farming, ranching, and other agriculture-related businesses; the program 8 focuses on men and women in the early stages of their careers, and 9 participants are selected on the basis of their leadership 10 integrity and effectiveness, analytical and communication skills, 11 12 vocational commitment, and growth potential; 48 candidates, ranging in age from 25 to 50, are taking part in the X and XI 13 14 classes; and

WHEREAS, These notable Texans are attending a series of nine seminars that extend over a two-year period; classes tour the state and also visit Washington, D.C., New York, Mexico, Russia, China, and Poland; while in Austin, class members will learn about state government and its role in addressing the complex issues facing the agriculture industry today; and

21 WHEREAS, The goals of the program are to identify and support 22 emerging industry leaders, to heighten their knowledge of current 23 issues, and to increase their personal involvement in state and 24 local activities that contribute to the growth of Texas

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1 agriculture; and

2 WHEREAS, The members of the TALL X and XI classes are devoting 3 their time and energy to advancing an important component of the 4 state's economy, and they are indeed deserving of recognition for 5 their dedication and hard work; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate members of the Texas Agricultural 8 Lifetime Leadership X and XI classes on their selection for 9 participation in this esteemed program and extend to them best 10 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 129 was adopted by the House on February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House