By: Eiland H.R. No. 335

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Jimmy Sylvia has been selected as the

2 2008 Person of the Year by the West Chambers County Chamber of

3 Commerce; and

4 WHEREAS, Each year, the West Chambers County Chamber of

5 Commerce honors those individuals who have worked to further the

6 goals of the chamber, and the Person of the Year award is selected

7 by the entire membership of the organization in recognition of his

8 or her contributions to the community; and

9 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Old River, Judge Sylvia is a

10 graduate of Barbers Hill High School and Sam Houston State

11 University; he served as commissioner of Precinct 3 for four years

12 before his election as county judge; and

WHEREAS, In that role, Judge Sylvia serves as the executive

officer and chief administrator of Chambers County and as the

15 presiding officer of the commissioners court; other official duties

16 include certifying elections, serving on the county juvenile board,

17 acting as county school superintendent ex officio, and providing

18 executive oversight to the emergency management coordinator; in his

19 nomination for the chamber's award, Judge Sylvia was particularly

20 commended for the leadership he demonstrated in protecting citizens

21 and businesses during and after Hurricane Ike as well as for the

22 sound business practices he has employed that have enabled Chambers

23 County to maintain strength and stability in a period of economic

24 recession; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Jimmy Sylvia has greatly contributed to the
- 2 betterment of life in Chambers County over the course of his tenure
- 3 as a public servant, and he may take justifiable pride in his
- 4 exemplary record of achievement; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate Judge Jimmy Sylvia on his selection
- 7 as the 2008 Person of the Year by the West Chambers County Chamber
- 8 of Commerce and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 9 success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Judge Sylvia as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.