

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Hidalgo Mayor John David Franz has been named the
2 2009 Border Texan of the Year for his many contributions to his
3 community; and

4 WHEREAS, Nominees for the Border Texan of the Year award are
5 proposed by area communities, and the final selection is made by a
6 committee of the Hidalgo Chamber of Commerce, as part of the city's
7 annual BorderFest celebration; Mayor Franz was chosen by unanimous
8 vote; and

9 WHEREAS, A native of Hidalgo, John David Franz began his
10 exemplary career in public service at the age of 18, when he was
11 appointed the city's municipal judge; in 1990, he was elected as
12 mayor of Hidalgo, and he has distinguished himself in that office
13 ever since; and

14 WHEREAS, During his tenure, Mayor Franz has played a vital
15 role in improving the city's finances; he was instrumental in
16 bringing the popular Dodge Arena concert venue to Hidalgo, and he
17 chairs the Texas Municipal Facilities Corporation, which oversees
18 the arena; and

19 WHEREAS, Mayor Franz has also been a leader in improving
20 community facilities and services; he has overseen the construction
21 of a new city hall and library, as well as youth centers and a system
22 of recreational trails; and

23 WHEREAS, For nearly 20 years, John David Franz has
24 contributed greatly to the stability and prosperity of Hidalgo, and

1 it is most fitting that this esteemed Texan be recognized with this
2 prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate John David Franz on his selection
5 as the 2009 Border Texan of the Year and extend to him sincere best
6 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mayor Franz as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.

Gonzales

Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Pena
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

H.R. No. 438

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 438 was adopted by the House on
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Chief Clerk of the House