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H.R. No. 1102

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Gregory D. Williams was honored by the Heritage
2 of Odessa Foundation with a 2009 Community Statesman Award in
3 recognition of his outstanding civic contributions; and

4 WHEREAS, Every year for the past quarter-century, the
5 Heritage of Odessa Foundation has paid tribute to individuals who
6 have excelled in their various fields and in their public service
7 endeavors; nominated by their fellow citizens and chosen by a
8 special committee, the 13 recipients have volunteered their time
9 and resources to support Odessa and its residents; in 2009, Dr.
10 Williams was selected for this accolade in the category of
11 education; and

12 WHEREAS, Gregory Williams earned his doctoral degree in
13 higher education administration from Baylor University, and he
14 currently serves as president of Odessa College; in this role, he
15 has increased the institution's outreach efforts through
16 partnerships with the United Way, Meals on Wheels, and the West
17 Texas Food Bank; Dr. Williams is also involved in the Odessa Chamber
18 of Commerce, the Texas Association of Community Colleges, and the
19 Education Foundation of the Ector County Independent School
20 District; and

21 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has demonstrated an unwavering
22 commitment to his profession and to the city of Odessa, and his
23 compassion and generosity are an inspiration to all who know him;
24 now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Gregory D. Williams on his
3 receipt of a 2009 Community Statesman Award and extend to him
4 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it
5 further

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