

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Hondo Municipal Airport has been named the 2009
2 General Aviation Airport of the Year by the Texas Department of
3 Transportation Aviation Division; and

4 WHEREAS, This honor is a fitting tribute to the significant
5 changes that have taken place at the airport in recent years, which
6 include a new terminal building and a new fuel facility that were
7 funded by grants from TxDOT; in addition, the City of Hondo and its
8 Economic Development Corporation have helped establish a
9 1,400-acre industrial park at the airport that includes a direct
10 connection to the Union Pacific Railroad line; this infrastructure
11 gives the airport the ability to serve as an air-rail transfer hub,
12 which promises to spur further growth in the years ahead; and

13 WHEREAS, Already, Hondo Municipal has become a center for
14 business development; it is home to the Corrigan Air Center, which
15 specializes in paint, interior, and avionics work for aircraft, and
16 in the fall of 2008, Air Evac Lifeteam based its regional emergency
17 medical services operations in Hondo; moreover, a flight training
18 academy and a wing of the Commemorative Air Force are slated to
19 become part of the airport facility in the years ahead; and

20 WHEREAS, The achievements at Hondo Municipal have been
21 realized through the valuable contributions of numerous
22 individuals, with essential guidance coming from Hondo city manager
23 Robert T. Herrera and airport manager Tim Fousse; and

24 WHEREAS, Through a combination of determined work and

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1 innovative thinking, Hondo Municipal Airport has become a vital
2 city asset that is helping to drive economic growth in the area, and
3 the receipt of this prestigious award provides a fitting
4 opportunity to recognize the people who are responsible; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Hondo Municipal Airport on being
8 named the 2009 General Aviation Airport of the Year by the Texas
9 Department of Transportation Aviation Division and commend all
10 those involved with the facility's operations and redevelopment for
11 a job well done; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1536 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House