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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 Herrera and airport manager Tim Fousse; and

24           WHEREAS, Through a combination of determined work and

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.