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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry L. Polinard has received the Liberty Bell
- 2 Award from the Hidalgo County Bar Association; and
- 3 WHEREAS, A native of Corpus Christi, Dr. Polinard holds
- 4 bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas A&I University and a
- 5 doctoral degree from the University of Arizona; he taught at Lamar
- 6 University and at Oklahoma State University before becoming a
- 7 professor at The University of Texas--Pan American in 1972; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Through the years, Dr. Polinard has remained active
- 9 in such campus groups as the UTPA faculty senate, and he has served
- 10 as chair of the political science department and of The University
- 11 of Texas System Faculty Advisory Council; moreover, he has
- 12 coauthored two books and 22 articles in scholarly journals; and
- WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has received numerous accolades
- 14 for his work at UTPA, including the Distinguished Faculty Award
- 15 from the university's alumni association, the UTPA Outstanding
- 16 Faculty Award, and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 17 Faculty Excellence Award for Outstanding Teaching, and in 2006, he
- 18 was given the Honorary Leon Jaworski Award for Contributions to Law
- 19 Focused Education from the State Bar of Texas; in addition, he has
- 20 been affiliated with the American Political Science Association,
- 21 the Southwest Association of Pre-Law Advisors, and the Pre-Law
- 22 Advisors' National Council; and
- WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Dr. Polinard enjoys the
- 24 love and support of his wife, Cindy Polinard, and the couple take

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- 1 great pride in their treasured family, which has grown to include 11
- 2 grandchildren; and
- 3 WHEREAS, With the utmost dedication to his profession,
- 4 Dr. Polinard has garnered the lasting respect and admiration of his
- 5 colleagues and fellow citizens alike, and he may indeed reflect
- 6 with great pride on his notable achievements; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Jerry L. Polinard on his
- 9 receipt of the Liberty Bell Award from the Hidalgo County Bar
- 10 Association and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 11 success and happiness; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for Dr. Polinard 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. 1786 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House