

By: Gonzales

H.R. No. 1786

R E S O L U T I O N

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

13 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

23 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Dr. Polinard enjoys the
24 love and support of his wife, Cindy Polinard, and the couple take

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.