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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Fifth Ward Enrichment Program is hosting its
2 11th annual Heart of Houston luncheon on June 23, 2009; and

3 WHEREAS, A fundraiser to support the FWEP's community
4 initiatives, the Heart of Houston luncheon recognizes those
5 individuals who have demonstrated an exemplary commitment to
6 citizens of Houston through their philanthropic endeavors, and this
7 year's honorees are Mr. and Mrs. Percy "Frenchy" Creuzot and
8 Dr. Felix L. Cook; and

9 WHEREAS, Founded in 1984, the FWEP was designed to address
10 the issues of crime, gangs, drug use, and teenage pregnancy, as well
11 as the increased numbers of high school dropouts and single-parent
12 households; seeking to empower area youth and to encourage them to
13 make sound and healthy decisions, the organization promotes
14 goal-setting, improved self-esteem, and leadership development,
15 and it provides education and mentorship from positive role models;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The FWEP collaborates with a number of other
18 community-based groups and reaches approximately 250 African
19 American and Hispanic young men from the northern region of the
20 Houston Independent School District, and its efforts have ensured
21 that more than 90 percent of its senior class participants are
22 graduating from high school each year; the wide range of programs
23 currently sponsored by the FWEP includes alternative afterschool
24 activities, weekend field trips, summer community service and

1 employment projects, counseling and tutoring, academic
2 competitions, career and technology training, and personal
3 development seminars; and

4 WHEREAS, This noteworthy organization is providing important
5 opportunities for many young Texans, and in so doing, it is bringing
6 lasting benefits to its participants, their families, and this
7 state; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
9 Legislature hereby honor the Fifth Ward Enrichment Program on the
10 occasion of the 2009 Heart of Houston luncheon and extend to all
11 those associated with the organization sincere best wishes for the
12 future; and, be it further

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