

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, David Howarth of Lake Jackson has deservedly been
2 honored by the Keep Texas Beautiful organization with its
3 Individual Leadership Award for 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, The Individual Leadership Award was created to
5 recognize individuals who support the Keep Texas Beautiful mission
6 of empowering Texans through education to take responsibility for
7 enhancing their community's environment; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Howarth has been active in Keep Lake Jackson
9 Beautiful for a decade and has served as its chairman for the past
10 eight years; during that time, he has instituted many educational
11 programs to teach students and residents about the ways that they
12 can help keep their city clean and preserve its natural resources;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Howarth has promoted litter prevention
15 projects, trash tip-off hotlines, and citywide clean-ups, as well
16 as environmental education efforts that are presented during the
17 Enviro Camp in the summer and during the Enviro Fest activities on
18 Earth Day; moreover, he has furthered the group's educational
19 mission by making numerous appearances at events as Charlie
20 Chipper, the Keep Lake Jackson Beautiful mascot, and by involving
21 students, residents, and business people in the production of
22 public service announcements that address litter and recycling; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Howarth has been instrumental in helping Keep
24 Lake Jackson Beautiful win three Governor's Community Achievement

1 Awards totaling more than \$265,000; these funds have been used to
2 create the entryway that welcomes visitors to the city and to add
3 landscaping along medians and overpasses; and

4 WHEREAS, In his tireless efforts to improve the quality of
5 life in the local community, he led the charge to ban smoking in
6 restaurants and public facilities, appearing before the city
7 council for the successful adoption of a no-smoking ordinance; in
8 addition, he worked with the Phi Theta Kappa sorority at Brazosport
9 College to implement a program on cigarette litter; and

10 WHEREAS, Looking beyond the immediate Lake Jackson area, he
11 joined Keep Brazoria County Beautiful as chairman of the board;
12 through his work with that organization, he has helped to establish
13 the Brazoria County Environmental Center on the Seabreeze
14 Environmental Landfill site; he has also been involved in the
15 national work of Keep America Beautiful as a presenter and
16 conference attendee; and

17 WHEREAS, This dedicated community leader has also offered his
18 time and talents to many civic and professional groups, including
19 Habitat for Humanity, the BASF Community Advisory Panel, and BACH,
20 an organization supporting children with special needs; further, he
21 has contributed to the work of Mended Hearts as a board member and
22 volunteer, taken part in the Stars on the Brazos Mardi Gras
23 festivities, and used his barbecue and cooking skills to benefit
24 charities and provide meals for city employees and rescue workers
25 in the aftermath of Hurricane Ike; and

26 WHEREAS, In ways large and small, David Howarth has devoted
27 himself to making Lake Jackson and the State of Texas a better place

1 to live and work, and he is indeed deserving of this prestigious
2 honor; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate David Howarth on his receipt of the
5 2009 Individual Leadership Award from Keep Texas Beautiful and
6 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in his
7 volunteer activities; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for Mr. Howarth as an expression of high regard by the
10 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2025

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2025 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House