

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Fire Marshal David Brannon and Deputy Fire Marshal  
2 Debbie Taylor of the Pasadena Fire Department have been recognized  
3 with the 2009 John R. Rauch Award from the Texas Chapter of the  
4 International Association of Arson Investigators; and

5           WHEREAS, Awarded for excellence in arson investigation  
6 training and in the promotion of fire education, the Rauch Award was  
7 presented at the annual Texas Fire and Arson Investigators  
8 Conference in Austin on March 26, 2009; and

9           WHEREAS, Marshal Brannon and Deputy Marshal Taylor received  
10 the award for their creation and implementation of a juvenile  
11 fire-setter intervention program in Pasadena; designed for youth  
12 who might have an unhealthy interest in fire, the program helps to  
13 divert these children from behavior that could endanger themselves  
14 or others; and

15           WHEREAS, Participants in the program range in age from 3 to  
16 17; after a child goes through an initial session with fire  
17 department staff, Deputy Marshal Taylor follows up with the child  
18 for a year; in the past five years, the program has boasted a 100  
19 percent success rate in preventing risky or harmful behavior; and

20           WHEREAS, With this innovative effort, David Brannon and  
21 Debbie Taylor have contributed greatly to the safety of their  
22 community, and they are indeed deserving of this prestigious  
23 recognition from their peers; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate Pasadena Fire Marshal David  
2 Brannon and Deputy Fire Marshal Debbie Taylor on winning the John R.  
3 Rauch Award and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued  
4 success in their important work; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for Marshal Brannon and Deputy Marshal Taylor as an  
7 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2933 was adopted by the House on June 1, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House