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H.R. No. 2933

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

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.