RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Herb M. Yambra of Houston has been a notable leader
in raising awareness about railroad safety issues that impact Texas
communities; and

WHEREAS, Before retiring in 2009, Mr. Yambra was employed as a railroad engineer for nearly 30 years, working for Southern Pacific and Union Pacific; he was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen and served as president and legislative representative of his division and as the second vice chair of the union's Texas Legislative Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yambra emphasized safety issues during his 10 11 tenure with the railroad, focusing particularly on trains run by 12 remote control, without a certified engineer at the helm; an editorial he authored on the subject was published in the Houston 13 14 Chronicle in 2003, and the City of Houston and Harris County both passed resolutions calling for regulation of these trains as a 15 16 result of his advocacy; moreover, he was nominated for an award in 2000 for his work to prevent grade-crossing accidents; and 17

WHEREAS, Mr. Yambra has served on the Harris County AFL-CIO Scholarship Committee, and he has also been active in voter registration efforts and has volunteered at election polling places; in addition, he supports the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo through his work as a committee member; and

23 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Yambra enjoys the love 24 and support of his wife of more than 20 years, Kathy, and his

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children, Sarah, Tiffany, and Jamie, and he also takes great pride
in his three grandchildren; he frequently participates in cook-offs
and delights in spending time with his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Herb Yambra has demonstrated an enduring commitment to the protection and well-being of his fellow citizens, and his efforts to promote railroad safety have earned him the lasting appreciation of many Texans; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 9 Legislature hereby honor Herb M. Yambra for his work relating to 10 railroad safety and extend to him sincere best wishes for the 11 future; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 124 was adopted by the House on April 12, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House