

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Mary Etta Berry Delaney of Houston is receiving a  
2 2011 Outstanding Community Leader Award from the Texas Legislative  
3 Black Caucus; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Onalaska, Mrs. Delaney has made Houston her  
5 home since 1948; an active member of the Miles Chapel Christian  
6 Methodist Episcopal Church for more than six decades, she currently  
7 serves on the stewardess and Christian education boards,  
8 participates in the prayer band and missionary society, and  
9 contributes to the church's Sunday school programs; in addition,  
10 she organized and became a leader for church-affiliated Boy Scout  
11 and Girl Scout troops; and

12           WHEREAS, An employee of the Houston Independent School  
13 District for 34 years, Mrs. Delaney is now a permanent volunteer  
14 with the district; she shares her time and talents with a number of  
15 civic associations, including the S.H.A.P.E. Community Center and  
16 its Elders Institute of Wisdom, Finnigan Park Seniors in Action,  
17 Church Women United, Harris County Council of Organizations, and  
18 Black Heritage Society; in addition, she is a life member of the  
19 National Council of Negro Women and the NAACP; and

20           WHEREAS, Mrs. Delaney began Delaney for Christ Ministries  
21 with her children and siblings in 1998, and the group now operates  
22 in Houston, Lubbock, and Garland; exemplifying the motto "meet  
23 people where they are," the ministry organizes activities such as  
24 church and youth revivals, outreach programs, choir workshops,

1 prison ministries, church reunions, and entertainment for senior  
2 citizens' homes; moreover, Mrs. Delaney is the cofounder of  
3 Africans United for Sanity Now, a mental health initiative that  
4 holds yearly workshops in Houston and New York City; and

5 WHEREAS, Affectionately known as "Mother Delaney," this  
6 respected community leader has mentored countless young people from  
7 all walks of life, and she is well-loved for her storytelling  
8 abilities, lively personality, wit, and sage advice; and

9 WHEREAS, Through her tireless efforts in behalf of her fellow  
10 citizens, Mary Etta Delaney has set an inspiring example of civic  
11 engagement, and in so doing, she has earned the deep respect and  
12 admiration of all who know her; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
14 Legislature hereby congratulate Mary Etta Berry Delaney on her  
15 receipt of a 2011 Outstanding Community Leader Award from the Texas  
16 Legislative Black Caucus and extend to her sincere best wishes for  
17 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mrs. Delaney as an expression of high regard by the  
20 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 630

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 630 was adopted by the House on February 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House