

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Fifth Ward Enrichment Program of Houston is  
2 receiving the Outstanding Community Leader Award at the scholarship  
3 banquet of the African American Legislative Summit in Austin on  
4 February 28, 2011; and

5           WHEREAS, Presented by the Texas Legislative Black Caucus, the  
6 award recognizes the efforts of FWEP to empower at-risk inner-city  
7 males between the ages of 12 and 19 to become responsible and  
8 productive members of their families and their community; and

9           WHEREAS, Founded in 1984, FWEP relies on an all-male staff to  
10 serve as site coordinators in six Fifth Ward schools, where they  
11 interact daily throughout the school year, as well as during a  
12 seven-week summer program, with approximately 250 youth; the staff  
13 serve as important role models and stress the value of education,  
14 self-restraint, and goal-setting; and

15           WHEREAS, In addition to school-based projects, FWEP provides  
16 group counseling, life skills workshops, and one-on-one mentoring,  
17 all as part of a system of positive reinforcement to help  
18 participants direct their energy toward meaningful and  
19 constructive endeavors; FWEP youth also benefit from peer health  
20 educators and a Teen Enterprise Center, which develops  
21 entrepreneurial skills; moreover, the parent and family liaison  
22 coordinates and mentors the parents and guardians of participants;  
23 and

24           WHEREAS, For more than 25 years, the Fifth Ward Enrichment

1 Program has introduced countless young people to the values of  
2 discipline, self-esteem, and personal accountability, and it is  
3 truly deserving of special recognition for its holistic and  
4 effective approach to youth development; now, therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
6 Legislature hereby congratulate the Fifth Ward Enrichment Program  
7 on its receipt of the 2011 Outstanding Community Leader Award from  
8 the Texas Legislative Black Caucus and extend to the program's  
9 staff sincere best wishes for continued success with their  
10 important work; and, be it further

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

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| Aycock               | Harless                | Parker              |
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| Berman               | Hartnett               | Paxton              |
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| Bonnen               | Hilderbran             | Perry               |
| Branch               | Hochberg               | Phillips            |
| Brown                | Hopson                 | Pickett             |
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| Burnam               | Howard of Travis       | Price               |
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| Cain                 | Hughes                 | Raymond             |
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| Carter               | Isaac                  | Riddle              |
| Castro               | Jackson                | Ritter              |
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| S. Davis of Harris   | Laubenberg             | Solomons            |
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| Driver               | Legler                 | Taylor of Collin    |
| Dukes                | Lewis                  | Taylor of Galveston |
| Dutton               | Lozano                 | Thompson            |
| Eiland               | Lucio III              | Torres              |
| Eissler              | Lyne                   | Truitt              |
| Elkins               | Madden                 | Turner              |
| Farias               | Mallory Caraway        | Veasey              |
| Farrar               | Margo                  | Villarreal          |
| Fletcher             | Marquez                | Vo                  |
| Flynn                | Martinez               | Walle               |
| Frullo               | Martinez Fischer       | Weber               |
| Gallego              | McClendon              | White               |
| Garza                | Menendez               | Woolley             |
| Geren                | Miles                  | Workman             |
| Giddings             | Miller of Comal        | Zedler              |
| Gonzales of Hidalgo  | Miller of Erath        | Zerwas              |

H.R. No. 631

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 631 was adopted by the House on February 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House