

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Matthew Curtis was named the 2011 Austinite of the
2 Year at the Austin Under 40 Awards on February 26, 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, The awards are sponsored by Austin's Young Women's
4 Alliance and Young Men's Business League to pay tribute to emerging
5 leaders who excel in their professions and exhibit a solid
6 commitment to community service; Mr. Curtis was the award winner in
7 the category of government/public affairs; and

8 WHEREAS, Currently the communications director for Austin
9 Mayor Lee Leffingwell, Matt Curtis first became involved in
10 political action as a young boy when he distributed flyers
11 door-to-door in his hometown of Binghamton, New York; his family
12 moved to Round Rock when he was nine, and he attended the University
13 of North Texas and then worked as a consultant on campaigns from
14 1996 to 2003 while he was employed as a media and film publicist; he
15 was a special assistant to Austin's previous mayor, Will Wynn, from
16 2004 to 2006 and then served as assistant director of business and
17 community development at Capital Metro; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Curtis has contributed greatly to the
19 decommissioning of the Green Water Treatment Plant, the conversion
20 of Cesar Chavez Street to a two-way boulevard, and the city's
21 efforts during the Hurricane Katrina relief effort; known as a
22 problem solver, he works on Mayor Leffingwell's initiatives
23 relating to economic development and public works, and he is the
24 point of contact for the music, film, and interactive industries;

1 additionally, he represented the mayor during Austin's successful
2 effort to recruit Facebook; and

3 WHEREAS, This public-spirited citizen is a member of the
4 board of Students of the World, has served on the boards of Meals on
5 Wheels and More, Austin Pets Alive!, and the Heritage Society of
6 Austin, and has been active in publicity and fund-raising efforts
7 of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Texas, the Rainforest
8 Project, and Art Alliance Austin, to name just a few; and

9 WHEREAS, Texas communities benefit immeasurably from the
10 dedication of committed individuals like Matt Curtis, who has
11 worked tirelessly in service to others, and he indeed merits
12 special recognition for his achievements; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
14 Legislature hereby congratulate Matthew Curtis on being named the
15 2011 Austinite of the Year at the Austin Under 40 Awards and extend
16 to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Allen	Gooden	Murphy
Alonzo	Guillen	Naishtat
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Nash
Anchia	Hamilton	Oliveira
Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
Berman	Hartnett	Paxton
Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
Cain	Hughes	Raymond
Callegari	Hunter	Reynolds
Carter	Isaac	Riddle
Castro	Jackson	Ritter
Chisum	Johnson	Rodriguez
Christian	Keffer	Schwertner
Coleman	King of Parker	Scott
Cook	King of Taylor	Sheets
Craddick	King of Zavala	Sheffield
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Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
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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
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H.R. No. 2135

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2135 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House