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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Drayton McLane, Jr., is concluding more than 18 2 years as the chair and chief executive officer of the Houston 3 Astros, and he is indeed deserving of recognition for the benefits 4 he has brought to the Houston area; and

5 WHEREAS, Since Mr. McLane and his family purchased the 6 franchise in 1993, the Astros have enjoyed unprecedented success, 7 making the playoffs six times since 1997; moreover, the club's 8 greatest achievement to date came in 2005, when it won the National 9 League pennant and played in the World Series, allowing Houston to 10 have the honor of being the first Texas city to host the fall 11 classic; and

12 WHEREAS, An accomplished civic leader as well as a skilled businessman, Mr. McLane has championed a number of initiatives to 13 14 allow the baseball team to be a positive force in the community; the Astros in Action Foundation has been a central part of these 15 16 efforts, and it has provided generous support for scholarship funds, charity events, children's hospitals, and numerous other 17 worthwhile projects; in addition, Mr. McLane has long been involved 18 of philanthropic, medical, 19 in а range educational, and 20 youth-development organizations through his membership on boards 21 and committees; his present commitments include service as the vice president of the executive board of the Boy Scouts of America, chair 22 23 of the board of trustees for Scott & White Healthcare, and director 24 of the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M

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University, and he is active in the Greater Houston Partnership and
United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast; and

3 WHEREAS, This pioneering entrepreneur also helped bring 4 about a resurgence in downtown Houston with the construction of 5 Minute Maid Park; since opening in 2000, the stadium has helped 6 boost the economy of the surrounding area and has become one of the 7 city's architectural centerpieces; and

8 WHEREAS, Always a fixture at Astros games, Drayton McLane has 9 demonstrated great enthusiasm and dedication in directing his 10 team's operations, and his outstanding work will be remembered and 11 appreciated by the citizens of Houston for many years to come; now, 12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 14 Legislature hereby honor Drayton McLane, Jr., on his successful 15 tenure as the owner of the Houston Astros and commend him for his 16 contributions to the city; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2257 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House