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H.R. No. 2472

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Colbert L. Baker III has contributed greatly to the  
2 residents of the Permian Basin as the founder, president, and chief  
3 operating officer of the Springboard Center in Midland; and

4           WHEREAS, "Tim" Baker moved to Midland in 1986 and embarked on  
5 a career in chemical dependency counseling; he earned a master's  
6 degree in addiction counseling and became the head of an inpatient  
7 facility that grew into a 75-bed, 24-hour clinic; and

8           WHEREAS, In 1999, Mr. Baker founded the Springboard Center as  
9 a nonprofit organization that would provide counseling to  
10 individuals and families affected by addictive disorders and would  
11 accept clients regardless of their ability to pay; in 2001, the  
12 center received its first grant from the United Way, and in 2008, it  
13 opened an 18-bed residential treatment facility; Springboard  
14 currently has 31 employees and a \$1.5 million budget and has served  
15 more than 5,500 people to date; and

16           WHEREAS, In a career that has spanned more than 25 years, Tim  
17 Baker has helped countless area Texans, and he is indeed deserving  
18 of special recognition for his initiative and leadership; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
21 Legislature hereby honor Tim Baker for his work as founder,  
22 president, and chief operating officer of the Springboard Center in  
23 Midland and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
24 success; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for Mr. Baker as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
3 House of Representatives.