

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 861

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dohn LaBiche, who has been named the recipient of the 2011 Dr. Robert A. Swerdlow Small Business Person of the Year Award in the Retail-Service Category; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaBiche was selected for the award by the Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce; the award is given to an individual who is innovative and active in the community and who maintains a profitable and thriving business; and

WHEREAS, Dohn LaBiche formed the LaBiche Architectural Group in 2000 as a continuation of an architectural practice founded in Beaumont by Frederick Steinman in 1901; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaBiche's firm has provided numerous architectural services related to the recovery efforts following Hurricanes Ike and Rita; in addition, over the last 11 years, the firm has handled such notable projects as the renovation of the Julie Rogers Theater for the Performing Arts and the construction of the Lamar Institute of Technology Multipurpose Building; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaBiche was recently honored with induction into the Fellowship of the American Institute of Architects; he and his team have contributed to the economic success and the well-being of the Southeast Texas region through their commitment to excellence, their high professional standards, and their loyal work on behalf of the area's communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Dohn LaBiche on the first-rate work of the LaBiche Architectural Group and extend congratulations to him on earning the 2011 Dr. Robert A. Swerdlow Small Business Person of the Year Award in the Retail-Service Category; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 28, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate