SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1056

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Jerome Gray, who is the recipient of the Heart of Houston award from the Fifth Ward Enrichment Program; and

WHEREAS, The Fifth Ward Enrichment Program is a youth leadership and development program for at-risk males who live in one of Houston's most economically depressed neighborhoods; it is designed to empower boys to become responsible men and productive members of their families and of the community; and

WHEREAS, Jerome Gray is a media professional with more than 20 years of work experience and community involvement in Houston; he has covered many major news events across the world as a broadcast journalist, winning numerous prestigious awards for his work; and

WHEREAS, He is also an artist and has held a number of art shows to benefit various children's charities; he has served on many boards of directors for nonprofit community organizations and particularly enjoys working on projects that provide positive role models for children; he has helped raise several million dollars for charity, and he has received more than 200 awards for his community service; and

awards for his community service; and WHEREAS, Mr. Gray is renowned for his journalistic talent and his award-winning work; that he takes the time to devote countless hours to humanitarian endeavors is a tribute to his fine character and his compassion for others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Jerome Gray for his dedication to improving his community and extend to him congratulations on receiving the Heart of Houston award from the Fifth Ward Enrichment Program; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard 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 May 21, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate