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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, D'Artagnan Bebel of Houston is being presented with  
2 an Outstanding Texan Award by the Texas Legislative Black Caucus on  
3 February 26, 2013; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of New York City, Mr. Bebel graduated cum  
5 laude from Howard University and magna cum laude from the Columbia  
6 University Business School, and he has established a very  
7 successful career in broadcasting; over the course of more than  
8 three decades, he has worked in the sales divisions of Fox, CBS, and  
9 the Dispatch Group, and since 2001, he has been the vice president  
10 and general manager of two Fox television stations and the Fox  
11 website in Houston; and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. Bebel's efforts in behalf of his community  
13 include his service on the boards of Harmony Charter Schools, the  
14 Texas Association of Broadcasters, the Zina Garrison Academy, the  
15 Minority Media and Telecommunications Council Braintrust, and the  
16 Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International; he has  
17 chaired the board of the Better Business Bureau of Houston, and he  
18 and his wife, Angela, have been co-chairs of the American Tennis  
19 Association 87th National Championships and honorary co-chairs of  
20 the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Association Gala; and

21           WHEREAS, Mr. Bebel's contributions have been recognized with  
22 such honors as the Drum Major for Justice Award from the NAACP, the  
23 Outstanding Community Service Award from Children at Risk, and the  
24 MLK Dream Keepers Award; in 2000, he was named Alumnus of the Year

1 by the Howard University School of Communications, and in 2007 and  
2 2008, he was chosen as Houston's Best TV Station Manager by American  
3 Women in Radio and TV; moreover, the City of Houston has paid  
4 tribute to his accomplishments by proclaiming "D'Artagnan Bebel  
5 Day"; and

6 WHEREAS, In addition to his other responsibilities,  
7 Mr. Bebel is a skilled tennis player who has coached student teams  
8 and has been ranked by the U.S. Tennis Association; he is also a  
9 popular keynote speaker and frequently takes the time to address  
10 students in an effort to motivate them to reach their full  
11 potential; he and his wife are the parents of four children,  
12 D'Artagnan, Alysia, Julian, and Kalina; and

13 WHEREAS, Through his dedication to his profession and his  
14 civic involvement, D'Artagnan Bebel has greatly benefited his  
15 fellow citizens, and he is indeed worthy of this prestigious  
16 accolade; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
18 Legislature hereby congratulate D'Artagnan Bebel on his receipt of  
19 an Outstanding Texan Award from the Texas Legislative Black Caucus  
20 and commend him for his long record of service to others; and, be it  
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
23 prepared for Mr. Bebel as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
24 House of Representatives.