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H.R. No. 2246

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Raymond Palacios Jr., president of Bravo Chevrolet
2 Cadillac, has been inducted into the El Paso Business Hall of Fame;
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4 WHEREAS, A Houston native, Mr. Palacios served his country in
5 the United States Marine Corps, and he earned his accounting degree
6 from the University of Houston; beginning his career as a CPA, he
7 rose to become a vice president of developer Perry Homes before
8 deciding to fulfill his dream of owning a company; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Palacios completed the General Motors dealer
10 development program, and he worked in every department of a
11 dealership in Houston, learning the business from the ground up; in
12 1999, he took a chance on an underperforming dealership in El Paso,
13 purchasing it sight unseen; within a month under his leadership,
14 the store had turned a profit for the first time in five years; he
15 subsequently bought another dealership in Las Cruces; and

16 WHEREAS, Highly regarded in the industry, Mr. Palacios
17 serves on the board of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; he
18 has benefited his profession in numerous other key roles, among
19 them district director of the Texas Automotive Dealers Association,
20 president of the El Paso New Car Dealers Association, and vice chair
21 of the General Motors Minority Dealer Advisory Council; and

22 WHEREAS, This dynamic entrepreneur has demonstrated a strong
23 commitment to civic life and charitable endeavors; he serves on the
24 Paul L. Foster School of Medicine Dean's Advisory Council, on the

1 executive board of the Borderplex Economic Alliance, and on the
2 board of the Council for Economic and Educational Development; in
3 addition, he has served as president of the Association for the
4 Advancement of Mexican Americans, and he has given generously of
5 his time and talents to the University of Houston Alumni
6 Association, the Yucca Council Boy Scouts of America, the Young
7 Achievers Forum, and many other organizations; and

8 WHEREAS, Raymond Palacios has earned the deep respect and
9 admiration of the El Paso business community, and he may indeed take
10 pride in his accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate Raymond Palacios Jr. on his
13 induction in the El Paso Business Hall of Fame and extend to him
14 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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