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H.R. No. 2538

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Derek V. Baker of McKinney, a prominent member of  
2 the Collin County Conservative Republicans, has set an inspiring  
3 example of civic engagement through his longtime leadership and  
4 involvement in grassroots politics; and

5 WHEREAS, An activist for conservative political causes for  
6 many years, Mr. Baker has twice been elected president of the CCCR  
7 and until recently served as the organization's finance chair;  
8 outside of the State of Texas, he has worked in Congress for a  
9 number of members of the United States Senate and House of  
10 Representatives, and he served the U.S. House Republican Study  
11 Committee as a senior policy analyst; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Baker grew up in Sherman as an eighth-generation  
13 Texan and went on to receive his bachelor's degree in political  
14 science, business, and religion from Liberty University; before  
15 returning to his home state, he served as the director of federal  
16 affairs for Americans for Limited Government; and

17 WHEREAS, Today, in addition to continuing to play a vital  
18 role in the political arena, he also enjoys a successful career as a  
19 licensed Realtor with Keller Williams in McKinney, and he currently  
20 volunteers his time as a McKinney precinct chair and as a member of  
21 the Collin County Child Protective Services Board, the board of the  
22 Collin County Foster Friends, a charity that provides assistance to  
23 local foster children and their families, and the Government  
24 Affairs Committee of the Collin County Association of Realtors; and

1           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Baker is blessed with the  
2 love and support of a fine family that includes his wife of 16  
3 years, Melissa, and their three children, Reagan, Austin, and  
4 Lincoln; and

5           WHEREAS, Derek Baker's skill, vision, and dedication have  
6 contributed greatly to the advancement of conservative ideals in  
7 his state and community, and he has earned the respect and  
8 admiration of countless colleagues and fellow Texans; now,  
9 therefore, be it

10          RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby honor Derek V. Baker for his community  
12 engagement and his outstanding service to the Collin County  
13 Conservative Republicans and extend to him sincere best wishes for  
14 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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