

Quotes on the 2009 Legislative Session Concerning Issues Representative Charlie Howard Promoted

Republican Party of Texas – “...accomplished many things...eminent domain bill, blocking the Local Options Transportation Plan, steering clear of spending money in the state’s Rainy Day Fund, restoring funds to Windstorm Insurance, ...”

Texas Classroom Teachers – “... praised the reduced emphasis on high-stakes testing...”

Education – “...the legislature put massive amounts of new spending into both public and higher education.”

Texas Association of Business – “...passed a budget without touching the Rainy Day Fund, an amazing accomplishment. ...actually cut business taxes.”

Texas Hospital Association – “...made incremental reforms that addressed segments of the uninsured population. ...large investment in nursing education which translates into jobs for decades to come. ...filled the shortfall in Medicaid, supported community mental health crisis services, ...allocated dollars to offset unpaid trauma care cost in hospitals.”

Texas State Rifle Association – “...streamline the process for applying for a Concealed Carry License.”

Texans for Safe and Reliable Transportation – “ ...progress was made towards utilizing private sector alternatives to fund transportation and end diversions from the state’s transportation fund, ...”

Texas Eagle Forum – “We are very grateful to the conservative legislators we are honoring ...” Rep. Howard was among the 13 legislators honored.

Texans for Fiscal Responsibility – “The Legislature was fiscally conservative ...”