

Tejas Office Products Founder Lupe Fraga Receives State of Texas Small Business Award

HOUSTON—Tuesday, August 28, 2012—The Office of the Governor and Texas Workforce Commission, along with the Texas Business Alliance, has recognized Lupe Fraga with Tejas Office Products as a recipient of the 2012 State of Texas Small Business Award. Fraga and Tejas Office Products were nominated by the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council

(HMSDC) and validated by the Governor's Small Business Forum committee.

The State of Texas Small Business Award honors a business owner from participating business organizations, who has implemented business skills and practices that has helped them to propel to a level of growth and success, in the midst of this challenging economy.

"Mr. Fraga was selected not only for his outstanding success over the years and strong advocacy for the community and Houston, but also because Tejas Office Products, Inc. has been certified for quite some time with HMSDC," Richard Huebner with HMSDC said. "This exemplifies a solid, long-lasting certified minority-owned business that has grown over the years with the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council."

"I'm truly honored to be recognized with this award," Fraga said. "Each day the Tejas team aims to help a customer, help a community member and help our state. In the end, that's how we all grow. That's what doing business in Texas is all about."

The recognition took place at the Governor's Small Business Forum, hosted by the Texas Business Alliance and partnering organizations, on Saturday, August 18, 2012, at the Sugar Land Marriott Town Square.

About Tejas Office Products

Since 1962, Tejas Office Products has provided its customers with high quality office products. Its warehouse is centrally located in the Houston Heights area. From next day delivery of office products and department distribution to stock room management, Tejas Office Products makes your business day easier. For more information, please visit www.TejasOffice.com or call 713-864-6004 or 800-593-6004.

About Texas Business Alliance (TBA)

TBA is a member-driven, solutions oriented, nonprofit organization, with a mission to equip minorityand women-owned businesses to be qualified suppliers, ready to compete for public, private and international opportunities through progressive development, and specialized training. Its vision is to strengthen the Texas economy and spur job creation by expanding minority- and women-owned businesses, and encouraging youth entrepreneurship. Chapter organizations are being pursued in



Dallas/Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Austin and El Paso. Visit www.texasbusinessalliance.org for more details or call 713-738-7578.

About the HMSDC

Established in 1973, the HMSDC is a non-profit organization for minority businesses and major corporations interested in establishing relationships with minority entrepreneurs and helping them to successfully grow their businesses. Included in the membership of HMSDC are more than 220 major corporations and more than 1,000 minority businesses. For more information, visit http://affiliate.nmsdc.org/hmsdc/.

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