

Proclamation

Whereas, a bat habitat under the Cinco Bayou Bridge will attract and support a colony of over 4,000 bats, will impact a 20-mile radius and potentially result in the annual consumption of over 360 million mosquitoes.

Whereas, it was Jim Bratton's idea, a resident of Cinco Bayou.

Whereas, no taxpayer money was spent.

Whereas, Cinco Bayou will be one of the primary beneficiaries of a colony of bats under the Cinco Bayou Bridge.

Whereas, the hazards to humans, water quality, and the environment from a bat colony are less than that posed by the use of chemicals to control mosquitoes, and the hazards of mosquito born disease.

Whereas, the project to raise money and install a bat habitat has resulted in extremely good publicity for the town of Cinco Bayou and from project start to installations only took 4 months.

Be it known then, that the honorary title of

“Bat Man of Cinco Bayou”

has been bestowed on

Mr. Jim Bratton

By the Town Council of Cinco Bayou

June 13, 2002

Signed: _____

Mayor Sara

Carroll

Attest:

Nell Webb, Town Manager/Clerk