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2022 Texan of the Year

**Kevin Brady**

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Friday, March 25, 2022

## Texan of the Year Reception

Thursday, March 24, 2022 – 7:00 pm

## New Braunfels Civic Convention Center

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Robert Calvert	1974	George Christian	1998
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Lady Bird Johnson	1976	Bill Archer	2000
Dolph Briscoe	1977	Red McCombs	2001
George H. Mahon	1978	George W. Bush	2002
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John Ben Shepperd	1984	David Dewhurst	2008
John Tower	1985	T. Boone Pickens	2009
John Traeger	1986	Peter M. Holt	2010
James A. Baker, III	1987	Ray Benson	2011
Phil Gramm	1988	Ray Perryman	2012
William P. Hobby	1989	John Sharp	2013
Barbara Bush	1990	Wallace Jefferson	2014
E (Kika) de la Garza	1991	Joe Straus	2015
Robert S. Strauss	1992	John Cornyn	2016
Barbara Jordan	1993	Pike Powers	2017
Herb Kelleher	1994	George Strait	2018
Bob Bullock	1995	Lamar Smith	2019
James E. "Pete" Laney	1996	Charles Duke	2020
Kay Bailey Hutchison	1997	Glenn Hegar	2021



**2022**  
**Texan of the Year**  
**Kevin Brady**

7:45 - 8:30AM **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**

8:30AM **OPENING SESSION**

Presiding: Patrick Rose – Advisory Committee Chair  
Invocation: Senator Donna Campbell  
Edmund Kuempel Public Service Scholarship Awards  
Presenting: State Representative John Kuempel

8:45AM **OPENING ADDRESS**

Dr. Henry Cisneros

9:15AM **THE CURRENT STATE OF TEXAS' ECONOMY**

Moderator: Diane Rath, Executive Director – Alamo Area Council of Governments

Panelists: Rey Chavez, President – San Antonio Manufacturers Association  
Adriana Cruz, Executive Director of Economic Development & Tourism – Office of the Governor  
Aaron Demerson, Commissioner Representing Employers – Texas Workforce Commission

10:45AM **POLITICS PANEL**

Moderator: Ross Ramsey, Executive Editor & Co-Founder – Texas Tribune

Panelists: State Senator Kel Seliger – Senate District 31  
State Representative Ina Minjarez – Texas House District 124  
State Representative John Turner – Texas House District 114  
State Representative James White – Texas House District 19

NOON **LUNCHEON AND CLOSING ADDRESS**

Tom Luce, Founder & Chairman – Texas 2036

1:00PM **ADJOURN**

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