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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Kathy and Glen Gondo are being recognized at the  
2 annual Asia Society Texas Tiger Ball in Houston on March 3, 2023,  
3 for their commitment to building friendship and understanding  
4 through Japanese culture; and

5 WHEREAS, An inspiring couple known for their philanthropy and  
6 civic engagement, Kathy and Glen Gondo met as children in  
7 Watsonville, California, and married in 1973; a decade later, they  
8 settled in Houston, where they found success through a variety of  
9 entrepreneurial endeavors, including the city's first Japanese  
10 restaurant, a sushi catering company, grocery-store sushi bars, an  
11 international trade business, and an airline catering venture; and

12 WHEREAS, The Gondos are responsible for Japan Festival  
13 Houston, a popular annual event, and they have further contributed  
14 to the Asian American community through involvement with the Asian  
15 Chamber of Commerce, the Asia Society Texas Center, and the  
16 Japan-America Society of Houston; several other nonprofit  
17 organizations have benefited from their generosity, such as  
18 Holocaust Museum Houston, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, and the  
19 Hermann Park Conservancy; in recognition of his many  
20 accomplishments, Mr. Gondo was inducted into the Order of the  
21 Rising Sun by the Japanese government; and

22 WHEREAS, Kathy and Glen Gondo have proven themselves to be  
23 business and civic leaders of great vision and ability, and they may  
24 reflect with pride on their successful efforts to make Houston an

1 even better place for all; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Kathy and Glen Gondo on their  
4 selection as honorees at Tiger Ball 2023 and extend to them sincere  
5 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Gondo as an expression of high regard by  
8 the Texas House of Representatives.