

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Black Expo marked its 20th anniversary in  
2 2022, and the organization is celebrating that special milestone as  
3 part of its signature event, the Summer Celebration Tradeshow,  
4 taking place May 18-21, 2023, in Houston; and

5           WHEREAS, Established in 2002, the Texas Black Expo is a  
6 nonprofit organization committed to fostering business growth and  
7 development, introducing youth to entrepreneurship, and sponsoring  
8 events designed to inform and economically empower members of the  
9 community; from its origins as a once-a-year trade show in Houston,  
10 the group has broadened its mission and expanded its reach to  
11 include affiliate chapters throughout the state; and

12           WHEREAS, The Texas Black Expo was founded by its president  
13 and CEO, Jerome Love, who has also distinguished himself as an  
14 entrepreneur and professional speaker; he has addressed such  
15 high-profile gatherings as the Los Angeles Mayor's Economic  
16 Development Summit and the New Mexico State Leadership Conference,  
17 and his business achievements have been honored with a number of  
18 accolades, including recognition as the Multi-Million Dollar Top  
19 Producer by Prudential Texas Realty and as Entrepreneur of the Year  
20 by the Houston Chapter of the National Black MBA Association; and

21           WHEREAS, The expo's Summer Celebration is one of the state's  
22 largest African American trade shows, and it facilitates networking  
23 and the discovery of new business opportunities for its 20,000  
24 attendees; more than 200 companies enhance their visibility by

1 exhibiting each year; in addition to business development seminars,  
2 the Summer Celebration features health and wellness programming,  
3 women's forums, concert performances, celebrity entertainers, and  
4 other cultural content; a highlight of the 2023 event is the  
5 corporate luncheon featuring NBA legend and famed entrepreneur  
6 Earvin "Magic" Johnson as keynote speaker; and

7 WHEREAS, Committed to developing resilient businesses, the  
8 Texas Black Expo has helped many small companies and organizations  
9 build a strong foundation for growth, and in so doing, it has helped  
10 to increase the prosperity of their communities and the economic  
11 dynamism of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Texas Black Expo on its 20th  
14 anniversary and extend to all those associated with this noteworthy  
15 organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for the Texas Black Expo as an expression of high regard by  
19 the Texas House of Representatives.

Reynolds

H.R. No. 1743

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1743 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2023, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House