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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Historically Black Colleges and

2 Universities Legislative Caucus was established on April 12, 2023;

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WHEREAS, The Texas HBCU Legislative Caucus strives to nurture

5 leadership and excellence in higher education and to celebrate the

6 invaluable role that the state's HBCUs play in promoting practices

7 of strong and meaningful citizenship; the caucus includes lawmakers

8 of the Texas Legislature who have demonstrated a steadfast

9 commitment to representing and supporting HBCUs through funding,

10 public awareness efforts, and other initiatives; and

11 WHEREAS, The members of the caucus will regularly meet with

12 the Planning Committee of the Texas HBCU Conference Series,

13 participate in the annual Texas HBCU Conference, and hold biannual

14 meetings with students at HBCU campuses in their districts; in

15 addition, the Texas HBCU Legislative Caucus is partnering with the

16 Texas Legislative Black Caucus to establish an internship program

17 that will help students gain firsthand experience with the

18 legislative process; and

19 WHEREAS, The Texas HBCU Legislative Caucus supports each of

20 the state's nine HBCUs, which include Paul Quinn College, Wiley

21 College, Huston-Tillotson University, Prairie View A&M University,

22 Texas College, St. Philip's College, Jarvis Christian University,

23 Texas Southern University and the Thurgood Marshall School of Law,

24 and Southwestern Christian College, as well as their affiliated

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- 1 fraternities, alumni networks, and graduate programs; and
- 2 WHEREAS, HBCUs are essential to the higher education system
- 3 in the Lone Star State, and the Texas HBCU Legislative Caucus is
- 4 sure to serve as a valuable resource to these noteworthy
- 5 institutions; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby recognize the creation of the Texas Historically
- 8 Black Colleges and Universities Legislative Caucus and extend to
- 9 the group's members sincere best wishes for success in their
- 10 endeavors; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for the Texas HBCU Legislative Caucus as an expression of
- 13 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.