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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The City of McKinney has distinguished itself by
- 2 earning six Transparency Stars from the Texas Comptroller of Public
- 3 Accounts; and
- WHEREAS, Established in 2016, the Transparency Stars program
- 5 recognizes local government entities that provide taxpayers with
- 6 easy access to financial data as well as the tools to better
- 7 understand and analyze the information; McKinney was the first city
- 8 to earn stars in the five areas that initially made up the program:
- 9 traditional finances, contracts and procurement, economic
- 10 development, public pensions, and debt obligations; and
- 11 WHEREAS, In 2024, the Texas Comptroller's Office added a
- 12 sixth star to the program, open government and compliance, and
- 13 McKinney has earned that designation as well; in recognition of
- 14 this outstanding achievement, the city has been honored with the
- 15 Comptroller's six-star Transparency Trailblazers Award, which
- 16 highlights the city's leadership in financial transparency and sets
- 17 a benchmark for municipalities across Texas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The City of McKinney's website offers detailed
- 19 information about revenues, expenditures, and taxes, including
- 20 easy-to-read graphs detailing the city's finances and financial
- 21 responsibilities over time; the city has also created a
- 22 transparency page that provides area residents with a wide range of
- 23 information about their government beyond fiscal data; and
- 24 WHEREAS, The county seat of Collin County, McKinney is a

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- 1 rapidly growing city that boasts award-winning schools, a lively
- 2 historic downtown, a thriving economy, and great natural beauty;
- 3 the community benefits from the able leadership of mayor George
- 4 Fuller and city manager Paul Grimes; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The citizens of our state and nation benefit greatly
- 6 from open government, and the City of McKinney may indeed take great
- 7 pride in its exemplary efforts to provide its residents with the
- 8 information they need to participate in the decisions that affect
- 9 them and their families; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate the City of McKinney on its receipt
- 12 of six Transparency Stars from the Texas Comptroller of Public
- 13 Accounts and extend to the city's officials and employees sincere
- 14 best wishes for continued success in their important work; and, be
- 15 it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for the City of McKinney as an expression of high regard by
- 18 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 695 was adopted by the House on April 9, 2025, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House