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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas African American Lawyers 2 Foundation are gathering at the State Capitol on April 8, 2025; and 3 WHEREAS, A newly established nonprofit organization, TAALF

is dedicated to furthering the advancement of African American 4

5 legal professionals throughout Texas; its founders, former chairs

and board members of the African American Lawyers Section of the 6

7 Texas State Bar, seek to complement and bolster the section's

response to any retreat toward homogeneity in the field; and 8

WHEREAS, TAALF offers a proactive platform to address 9 challenges to pipeline programs aimed at increasing the number of 10 11 African American attorneys; while advocating for policies and 12 programs vital to the success of African American lawyers, the organization also stands ready to lend robust support on important 13

14 legal issues affecting minorities; and

WHEREAS, Fostering professional development, TAALF 15 is 16 designed to connect attorneys across the state through networking events, targeted programming, workshops, resource sharing, and 17 other initiatives to build a strong, collaborative community; the 18 foundation is developing leadership training and mentoring 19 20 opportunities to equip the next generations of attorneys, judges, 21 and other legal professionals with the skills and confidence

22 necessary to excel; and

23 WHEREAS, Effective legal representation is a cornerstone of 24 our democracy, and TAALF has adopted the worthy mission of

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- 1 empowering the African American legal community to play an even
- 2 more impactful role in society; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby recognize April 8, 2025, as Texas African
- 5 American Lawyers Foundation Day at the State Capitol and extend to
- 6 the organization's members sincere best wishes for a productive and
- 7 enjoyable visit to Austin; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for the foundation as an expression of high regard by the
- 10 Texas House of Representatives.