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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, BASEBALLPARKS.COM bestowed a well-deserved honor on
the Frisco RoughRiders by naming the franchise's Dr Pepper/Seven Up
Ballpark the Best New Ballpark for 2003; and

WHEREAS, Inaugurated on April 3, 2003, the Dr Pepper/Seven Up Ballpark outshone minor- and major-league facilities from across the country to earn this prestigious accolade; presented by BASEBALLPARKS.COM creator and webmaster Joe Mock, the Best New Ballpark award annually recognizes the finest newly built professional baseball stadium that combines a superior design, attractive site selection, and fan amenities; and

11 WHEREAS, Designed by David M. Schwarz Architectural 12 Services, with HKS, Inc., acting as architect of record, this 13 outstanding ballpark provides seating for up to 10,000 fans; the 14 field is located in a park-like setting, where fans can enjoy an 15 intimate, old-fashioned evening of baseball while taking advantage 16 of the stadium's state-of-the-art amenities; and

WHEREAS, The Dr Pepper/Seven Up Ballpark provides a great showcase for the Double A Frisco RoughRiders, a Texas Rangers farm team that finished the first half of its inaugural season in first place; the ball club earned a coveted playoff berth and sent several of its team members to "the Show" during the season; and

22 WHEREAS, The new Frisco baseball stadium will undoubtedly 23 host many home team victories and continue to serve as a source of 24 tremendous pride for the RoughRiders franchise and its many

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1 supporters in the community; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 3 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Frisco 4 RoughRiders and all those associated with the Dr Pepper/Seven Up 5 Ballpark on the stadium's selection as the 2003 Best New Ballpark.