H.R. No. 203

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texas Industries for the Blind & Handicapped (TIBH) 2 recently celebrated the opening of its new TIBH Central Store; and 3 WHEREAS, The facility, located in central Austin, enables Texas' state and local governmental entities, school districts, and 4 5 Austin-area nonprofit organizations to purchase competitively 6 priced furniture items and everyday office supplies; the products 7 in the store are supplied by some of the 150 community rehabilitation programs throughout Texas that employ individuals 8 with disabilities; and 9

10 WHEREAS, TIBH Industries, as manager of the Texas State Use 11 Works Wonders program, plays a pivotal role in increasing 12 employment opportunities for disabled citizens; in 2002, the 13 program facilitated more than \$23 million in annual wages for 14 hardworking Texans and contributed to the self-esteem and sense of 15 accomplishment of the program's participants; and

16 WHEREAS, This worthy organization benefits innumerable 17 people throughout the Lone Star State, and it is a pleasure to honor 18 TIBH Industries on the opening of its new store; now, therefore, be 19 it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 21 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, commend TIBH Industries for its 22 many contributions and congratulate all involved with the opening 23 of the new TIBH Central Store; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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H.R. No. 203 prepared for the store as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 203 was adopted by the House on October 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House