By: Naishtat 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

WHEREAS, The facility, located in central Austin, enables Texas' state and local governmental entities, school districts, and Austin-area nonprofit organizations to purchase competitively priced furniture items and everyday office supplies; the products in the store are supplied by some of the 150 community

8 rehabilitation programs throughout Texas that employ individuals

with disabilities; and

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

WHEREAS, This worthy organization benefits innumerable people throughout the Lone Star State, and it is a pleasure to honor TIBH Industries on the opening of its new store; now, therefore, be 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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- 1 prepared for the store as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 2 House of Representatives.