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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Michael Lawrence Harris of Houston has been chosen 2 to receive an Outstanding Texan award by the Texas Legislative 3 Black Caucus in recognition of his many notable professional 4 achievements and contributions to his community; and

5 WHEREAS, The Outstanding Texan award was created to honor 6 individuals who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to 7 improving, developing, and enriching the lives of others; and

8 WHEREAS, A well-known disc jockey at KCOH, Mr. Harris is in 9 his 30th year of filling the airwaves of Houston radio; he is the 10 host of "Person to Person" and the popular "Gospel Melody Time" and 11 also serves as the station's news director; and

12 WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman has received numerous 13 accolades for his work in broadcasting, including being named Top 14 Jock by the *Houston Chronicle* and Houston's Best Talk Show Host by 15 the *Houston Press*; in addition, he has been recognized by the NAACP 16 for his work toward racial unity and understanding, and he received 17 that organization's Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Texas, Mr. Harris studied radio and television at the University of Houston, where he was a founding member of the UH Crescendos and a member of the Black Student Union; he is a devoted husband to his wife, Dyetta, a proud father of two daughters, Allessundra and Vanetria, and a faithful member of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Harris has proven himself to be a compelling

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voice on Houston's airwaves, encouraging his many listeners to think, question, and learn; his many accomplishments and his commitment to furthering racial understanding and promoting unity have indeed made this gentleman worthy of special recognition; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Michael Lawrence Harris on being 8 named an Outstanding Texan by the Texas Legislative Black Caucus 9 and extend to him sincere best wishes for success and happiness in 10 his future endeavors; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Mr. Harris as an expression of high regard by the Texas 13 House of Representatives.