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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pharmaceutical manufacturer Pfizer, Inc., is
2 celebrating its 154th anniversary in 2003, and this milestone is
3 indeed worthy of special recognition; and

4 WHEREAS, A global leader in the production of prescription
5 medications and consumer products, Pfizer, Inc., is dedicated to
6 discovering and developing new medicines and working in partnership
7 to make them available to people around the world; and

8 WHEREAS, Pfizer, Inc., leads the pharmaceutical industry in
9 annual research and development investment, dedicating \$5.2
10 billion to that pursuit in 2002; the company is currently
11 researching 20 different therapeutic classes, including cancer,
12 cardiovascular, diabetes, obesity, urology, and antivirals; and

13 WHEREAS, Pfizer, Inc., has been recognized as the largest
14 corporate donor in the United States by *The Chronicle of*
15 *Philanthropy*; in the past year alone the company donated more than
16 \$450 million in medications to indigent and uninsured Americans; in
17 addition, the company was recently named Company of the Year by
18 *Forbes* magazine, which has also recognized it as one of the "100
19 Best Companies to Work for in America"; and

20 WHEREAS, Pfizer's Living Share Card program enables
21 qualified, low-income Medicare beneficiaries to receive most
22 Pfizer medications for a flat fee, and the company's employees in
23 Texas donated more than \$359,000 to nonprofit organizations in
24 2002, and an additional \$332,000 was donated through the United Way

1 to Texas community organizations; and

2 WHEREAS, Through its myriad contributions, Pfizer, Inc., has
3 significantly improved the quality of life for many citizens of the
4 Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor Pfizer, Inc., on its 154th anniversary and
7 extend best wishes to Pfizer employees in Texas.