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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On February 18, 2003, proud residents, businessmen,
2 and friends of Richardson will gather at the State Capitol for
3 Richardson's Telecom Corridor Legislative Day; and

4 WHEREAS, Located along the North Central Expressway and
5 between the President George Bush Tollway and LBJ Freeway, the
6 Telecom Corridor area is home to more than 600 high technology and
7 telecommunications firms, and despite the recent downturn in the
8 economy, this region offers a glimpse into the future of the Lone
9 Star State's economy; and

10 WHEREAS, The collaboration between business and government
11 that characterizes the region is due in large part to the committed
12 efforts of the Richardson Chamber of Commerce and its affiliated
13 organization, the Metroplex Technology Business Council (MTBC);
14 the MTBC is a nonprofit technology organization of more than 500
15 technology firms across the North Texas region that was established
16 in August of 1994; and

17 WHEREAS, Richardson's high quality of life makes it an ideal
18 home to modern business; in addition to some of the state's best
19 schools and colleges, the city also boasts more than 1,000 acres of
20 park space, and the nationally known Wildflower Arts and Music
21 Festival and Cottonwood Arts Festival are apt reflections of the
22 area's rich cultural opportunities; and

23 WHEREAS, Richardson is also home to The University of Texas
24 at Dallas, which has more than 13,000 students and is the

1 fastest-growing public university in Texas, increasing in
2 enrollment by 40 percent between 1995 and 2002; the university is
3 known for its outstanding school of engineering and computer
4 science as well as for its exceptional faculty and staff, including
5 Dr. Alan MacDiarmid, a recent Nobel Prize winner in chemistry who
6 has been actively involved in nanotechnology research; and

7 WHEREAS, The Richardson Chamber of Commerce and the area's
8 technology leadership have made Richardson's Telecom Corridor area
9 one of the showpieces of modern Texas, and they can take pride in
10 their many accomplishments as they look forward to the challenges
11 and opportunities of years to come; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
13 Legislature hereby recognize February 18, 2003, as Richardson's
14 Telecom Corridor Legislative Day and extend a warm welcome to the
15 area's business and civic leaders visiting the State Capitol.