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H.R. No. 517

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Students, faculty, and staff of Paul Quinn College
2 are honoring the rich history of their school on March 20, 2003, as
3 they hold the annual Founder's Day Convocation; and

4 WHEREAS, Participating in the festivities will be keynote
5 speaker the Right Reverend John Hurst Adams, who served as the 22nd
6 president of the college, and his wife, Dr. Dolly Desselle Adams,
7 who also played a significant role in the lives of countless
8 students during her distinguished tenure as a professor at the
9 college; and

10 WHEREAS, Paul Quinn College was founded on April 4, 1872, as a
11 trade school where newly freed slaves could learn the skills of
12 blacksmithing, carpentry, tanning, and saddle work; originally
13 located in Austin, the college moved to Waco in 1877 and has spent
14 the past 13 years in its new home of Dallas; and

15 WHEREAS, The college was chartered by the State of Texas in
16 1881 and was renamed from Waco College to Paul Quinn College in
17 honor of Bishop William Paul Quinn, who greatly expanded the land
18 ownership of the school and helped to expand the curriculum to
19 include subjects such as mathematics, Latin, English, music, and
20 theology; and

21 WHEREAS, For 131 years, Paul Quinn College has been a
22 resource for education and enlightenment, and countless lives have
23 been enriched beyond measure by this historic institution of higher
24 learning; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
2 Legislature hereby honor Paul Quinn College on the occasion of the
3 school's Founder's Day and extend sincere best wishes to its
4 students, faculty, staff, and board of trustees; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Paul Quinn College as an expression of high regard by
7 the Texas House of Representatives.