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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Clyde Porter is one of the premier public architects
2 in Dallas and has provided architectural leadership for four of the
3 largest public organizations in Dallas and in the nation; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter has held prominent positions with Dallas
5 Area Rapid Transit, the Dallas Community College District, the Army
6 and Air Force Exchange Service, and the U.S. Army Corps of
7 Engineers; he has influenced the design and construction of
8 projects totaling more than \$5 billion; and

9 WHEREAS, The first African-American architect to be employed
10 by the Dallas County Community College District, he is the
11 assistant vice chancellor/district architect and leads design and
12 construction projects for 10 campus locations; during his 15-year
13 tenure with the district, he has been responsible for more than \$180
14 million in architectural and construction projects, including
15 several award-winning designs; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter was also the first African-American
17 architect at Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), for which he
18 established the architectural criteria for the barrel vault transit
19 center design that has been implemented by DART and employed
20 throughout its transit program; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter completed architectural projects
22 throughout the nation for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service
23 (AAFES) and demonstrated his vision and advocacy for the
24 architect's role by establishing a program to promote the

1 registration of architects in service at the AAFES; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter is a role model who inspires young men and
3 women to consider architecture as a career choice, actively
4 recruits students for schools of architecture throughout Texas, and
5 helps to draw minority students from across the state into
6 architecture programs; and

7 WHEREAS, Through leadership and collaboration with public
8 officials and business owners, Mr. Porter has demonstrated an
9 ability to produce innovative design and cost-effective
10 construction with integrity; he is a leader in the architectural
11 profession and he is truly worthy of special recognition; now,
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
14 Legislature hereby recognize Clyde Porter for his many achievements
15 in the field of architecture and extend to him sincere best wishes
16 for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Mr. Porter as an expression of high regard by the Texas
19 House of Representatives.