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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Paul Carrozza of Austin is the man behind the highly 2 successful RunTex, Inc., one of the premier running shoe and 3 equipment stores in Texas, and this notable businessman and civic 4 leader is a vital contributor to the promotion of fitness and the 5 sport of running in the Lone Star State; and

6 WHEREAS, A 1985 graduate of Abilene Christian University, Mr. 7 Carrozza ran middle distance for the Wildcat track and field team 8 and earned recognition as an NCAA Division II All-American; during 9 his years as a student athlete at Abilene Christian, he met his 10 wife, Sheila, also a formidable distance runner and the 1985 Lone 11 Star Conference 3,000-meter champion; and

12 WHEREAS, In addition to his role as the owner of RunTex, Mr. 13 Carrozza is the footwear editor for *Runner's World* magazine and the 14 founder of RunTex University and RunTex Events, which produces the 15 Motorola Marathon, the Capitol 10,000, and a host of other races and 16 charity events; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carrozza's efforts have earned him recognition on the local, state, and national levels; he is co-chair of the Governor's Advisory Council on Physical Fitness and a member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports; he is also a board member of the Austin Parks Foundation and the Greater Austin Sports Association; and

WHEREAS, Paul Carrozza has inspired countless individuals to
pursue their dreams of physical fitness and has contributed to such

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worthy organizations as the Capitol Area Food Bank, the Children's Advocacy Center, and Habitat for Humanity; his efforts as both a businessman and civic leader have earned him the respect and admiration of citizens throughout Texas, and he is indeed deserving of special legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Paul Carrozza on his success with 8 RunTex, Inc., and his other endeavors and commend him for his 9 dedication to organizing hundreds of races in Texas and for his 10 contributions to improving the lives of countless Texans; and, be 11 it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for Mr. Carrozza as an expression of high regard by the 14 Texas House of Representatives.

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