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H.R. No. 1222

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rushion McDonald is a talented writer, producer, and
2 comedian, and his continued success in the entertainment business
3 is bringing laughter and joy into the lives of millions of fans; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Houston's Fifth Ward, Mr. McDonald is a
5 graduate of Forest Brook Senior High School and earned a bachelor's
6 degree in mathematics from the University of Houston; in 1986, he
7 left his job with IBM to pursue a career as a stand-up comedian, and
8 six years later he opened his own comedy club, the Hip-Hop Comedy
9 Stop; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. McDonald's work as a comedy writer led to jobs as
11 story editor for ABC's *Me and the Boys* and as executive story editor
12 for the WB's *The Parent Hood*; he began work as coproducer of *The*
13 *Arsenio Hall Show* in 1996, and he has since served as supervising
14 producer for the WB's popular sitcom *Sister, Sister*, co-executive
15 producer for the WB's *The Jamie Foxx Show*, and consulting producer
16 for UPN's *The Parkers*; and

17 WHEREAS, A man of great imagination, he is the creator and
18 executive producer of *The Hoodie Awards* and is currently developing
19 shows for Disney Television and Mike Young Productions; also a
20 leader in talent management, he is helping to guide the careers of
21 comedians Steve Harvey and J. Anthony Brown; and

22 WHEREAS, Rushion McDonald has followed his dreams to build a
23 successful career in the entertainment industry, and his dedication
24 and commitment to excellence are an inspiration to all who know him;

1 now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
3 Legislature hereby honor Rushion McDonald for his contributions to
4 the field of entertainment and extend to him best wishes for
5 continued success and happiness in all his endeavors; and, be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mr. McDonald as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.