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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, For more than 15 years, Herbert Holl has made an indelible contribution to the arts community of North Texas as executive director of the Greater Denton Arts Council; and

WHEREAS, Born in Germany in 1951, Dr. Holl first arrived in the United States at the age of eight with his family, who settled in Huntsville, Alabama; he graduated from Huntsville High School in 1969 and earned a bachelor's degree with honors in piano performance from Peabody College; soon after, he attended The University of Texas at Austin, where he earned his master's degree in music and his doctoral degree in musicology; and

WHEREAS, Before assuming his current role with GDAC, this esteemed educator served as a staff member and consultant for the Texas Commission on the Arts and executive director of the Cultural Council of Victoria; under his leadership, GDAC has tripled its budget, increased its supporter base by 500 percent, launched a capital campaign to renovate the Campus Theatre in downtown Denton, and overseen the expansion of the Center for the Visual Arts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holl is actively involved with community activities such as the Denton Rotary Club and the Downtown Denton Task Force, and he also serves on the Texas Commission of the Arts community arts panel and the advisory board of the Denton Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, With the support of his wife, accomplished cellist Delta Thompson Holl, and their children, Lucas and Susan, Dr. Holl

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- 1 has also distinguished himself as a newspaper columnist and critic,
- 2 church choir director, and adjunct professor at the University of
- 3 Houston, Texas Woman's University, and the Graduate School of
- 4 Public Administration at the University of North Texas; moreover,
- 5 he has written numerous academic papers and articles and has
- 6 conducted many professional presentations on art, education, and
- 7 nonprofits; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The vibrancy of our communities depends on the
- 9 dedication of individuals like Herbert Holl, who serves as an
- 10 inspiration to all who have been touched by his commitment to the
- 11 arts and civic service; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 13 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Herbert Holl for
- 14 his exceptional tenure with the Greater Denton Arts Council and
- 15 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
- 16 achievement; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Dr. Holl as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 19 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 206 was adopted by the House on August 16, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House