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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jarvis Christian College of Hawkins is celebrating
2 Founders'/Homecoming Week on March 16-20, 2005, and it is a fitting
3 time to reflect on the excellent educational opportunities provided
4 by the school; and

5 WHEREAS, Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the
6 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, this traditional
7 liberal arts institution is located on 1,000 wooded acres halfway
8 between Dallas and Shreveport; the college was founded in 1904
9 under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Alphin, a state organizer for the
10 Negro Disciples of Christ in Texas; eventually, Major and Mrs. J. J.
11 Jarvis donated a generous plot of land to the school, and the first
12 classes were held in 1913; and

13 WHEREAS, Today, the college's average enrollment approaches
14 550 students, and the school was named one of the best regional
15 liberal arts colleges in the Southwest by *U.S. News & World Report*;
16 the school provides a high-quality education in the arts,
17 humanities, and sciences, in a personalized environment with
18 excellent academic and computer facilities; a fixture in the
19 community, the college injects more than \$10 million into
20 neighboring counties and hosts many notable annual events and
21 programs; and

22 WHEREAS, The faculty, staff, and administrators of Jarvis
23 Christian College have helped countless students prepare for
24 professional lives by providing a superior education in a

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1 supportive setting; the college is an invaluable asset to higher
2 education in Texas, and it is a pleasure to celebrate its
3 contributions on this special occasion; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
5 Legislature hereby honor Jarvis Christian College on the occasion
6 of its celebration of Founders'/Homecoming Week on March 16-20,
7 2005, and extend to all those associated with the school sincere
8 best wishes for continued success and achievement; and, be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
12 Representatives.