

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 honor the Friendship Force Club of Manawatu, New Zealand, which is
3 visiting San Antonio from May 14-21, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, A worldwide cultural exchange organization,
5 Friendship Force International was established in 1977 to create an
6 environment in which personal friendships are established to bridge
7 the barriers that separate people; and

8 WHEREAS, This innovative program promotes amity and goodwill
9 through an extensive network of homestay exchanges, and the pursuit
10 of such worthy goals earned the group a nomination for the Nobel
11 Peace Prize in 1992; and

12 WHEREAS, Since its founding, nearly half a million volunteer
13 ambassadors and hosts have participated through 3,300 exchanges,
14 touching the lives of more than two million individuals; and

15 WHEREAS, Friendship Force International has cultivated
16 camaraderie and understanding between a host of countries and
17 cultures, and it is a pleasure to recognize the participants in this
18 exceptional organization; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
20 Legislature hereby welcome members of the Friendship Force Club of
21 Manawatu, New Zealand, to the Lone Star State and extend to them
22 sincere best wishes for a memorable stay in San Antonio; and, be it
23 further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for the club as an expression of high regard by the Texas
2 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1453 was adopted by the House on May 13, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House