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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Prince Complex, Incorporated, in Houston is
 recognizing five outstanding honorees at its 2007 Gala, "A Knockout
 Affair," on March 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1998, the nonprofit organization has offered athletic, recreational, and academic programs to thousands of disadvantaged youths in Houston, and this annual fund-raiser seeks to heighten awareness of this important facility and the services it provides in the community; and

9 WHEREAS, Bernard Hopkins is one of the individuals being 10 honored at the 2007 gala; the current light heavyweight champion of 11 the world, Mr. Hopkins made his name as the premier middleweight 12 fighter of his generation; nicknamed "The Executioner," this 13 hall-of-famer first claimed the middleweight crown in 1995, and he 14 went on to defend his title in 20 consecutive bouts; and

WHEREAS, Raised in Philadelphia, Mr. Hopkins has become a role model for legions of fans in his hometown and beyond; he supports and participates in numerous charitable endeavors, most notably the Bernard and Shirley Hopkins Make a Way Foundation, which funds programs promoting safe and healthy activities for children; and

21 WHEREAS, The 2007 honorees have demonstrated an unwavering 22 dedication to excellence in their respective fields of expertise 23 while maintaining a steadfast commitment to helping others, and the 24 receipt of this award brings well-deserved recognition to their

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1 many contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Bernard Hopkins on being named an honoree of the Prince Complex, Incorporated, 2007 Gala and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 564 was adopted by the House on February 28, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House