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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Prince Complex youth and senior organization has 2 broken ground for a new \$1.2 million community center to better 3 serve the citizens of Houston's Fifth Ward; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1998 by Rap-a-Lot Records CEO James Prince and run by Executive Director Reverend Herb Shook, Prince Complex offers athletics, recreation, and academic enrichment programs for both young people and seniors in the community; currently 6,000 youths and seniors are participating; and

9 WHEREAS, The boxing program provides training and supervised 10 competitions for young men from 7 to 17 years old; a fully equipped 11 basketball gym is open after school, five days a week; a senior 12 fitness and walking club meets twice a week, with a continental 13 breakfast and a speaker program; and

14 WHEREAS, Prince Complex's academic enrichment program 15 includes an after-school program that provides homework assistance 16 and training in study skills for students; and

WHEREAS, The 11,000-square-foot new addition will feature a library, classrooms, a food pantry, and a state-of-the-art computer lab with 30 computers donated by the Houston Area Urban League; additionally, a medical clinic will provide immunizations and flu shots, and HIV awareness and prevention will be promoted; and

22 WHEREAS, All those associated with the Prince Complex are 23 providing an invaluable service to their community through their 24 education, fitness, and computer literacy programs, and the

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1 impressive center addition will help bring even more opportunities
2 to the Fifth Ward; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate James Prince, the Reverend Herb Shook, and the staff of the Prince Complex on breaking ground for the new addition to their community center and extend best wishes to them for their continued success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for the staff of the Prince Complex as an expression of 10 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 640 was adopted by the House on March 1, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House