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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The American Institute of Architects has
2 contributed to the nation's heritage and vitality for 150 years,
3 and members are celebrating this remarkable milestone at their 2007
4 national convention, which is being held May 3-5 in San Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, Organized on April 13, 1857, the AIA has grown to
6 become the largest and most influential professional association
7 for architects in the world; more than 300 component organizations
8 in the U.S. and abroad, including 17 chapters of the Texas Society
9 of Architects, combine to represent the interests of over 80,000
10 members; and

11 WHEREAS, Architects have long played a significant role in
12 developing and enhancing the quality of life in cities throughout
13 the country; applying building technology and design innovation,
14 they help create visually attractive, safe, livable, and welcoming
15 public spaces, and they provide crucial stewardship of our great
16 architectural and historic treasures; and

17 WHEREAS, In honor of its sesquicentennial, the AIA has
18 developed "Blueprint for America," a comprehensive community
19 service program that encourages members of the profession to work
20 collaboratively with local government officials, business leaders,
21 and citizens to identify neighborhoods in need of improvement; and

22 WHEREAS, More than 20,000 industry professionals are
23 expected to attend the 2007 National Convention and Design
24 Exposition in San Antonio; centered around the theme, "Growing

1 Beyond Green," the conference will feature a variety of educational
2 opportunities on the topic of sustainable design; and

3 WHEREAS, With their vision, dedication, and skill,
4 architects benefit communities across Texas and the U.S., and it is
5 a pleasure to welcome these esteemed professionals to the Lone Star
6 State; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the American Institute of
9 Architects on its sesquicentennial and extend to all those
10 associated with the organization sincere best wishes for a
11 productive and enjoyable convention; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for the AIA as an expression of high regard by the Texas
14 House of Representatives.