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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Freshman members of the Texas House of
2 Representatives have garnered unparalleled experience during their
3 first legislative session, and they would like to express their
4 appreciation to their senior colleagues for showing them the ropes
5 while helping them to avoid getting tangled in them; and

6 WHEREAS, Each and every legislative day, these earnest
7 officeholders have been taken under the wing by their knowledgeable
8 peers, who have led by example and imparted to them a number of
9 helpful tips that have aided them in their quest to serve their
10 fellow Texans to the best of their abilities; many freshman members
11 now keep candy at their desks to ensure friendly visits from
12 passersby, and they have also learned that 30 seconds is an awfully
13 long time on the floor of the house, chubbing is an art form, and
14 when it's their time in the spotlight, to just mumble, move passage,
15 and sit down; and

16 WHEREAS, For the benefit of those who will follow in their
17 footsteps, members of the freshman class have compiled the
18 following handy list of familiar phrases for use in all the old
19 familiar places: "It's just a simple bill. It's a technical
20 cleanup. It's for the children. This is the bill we heard
21 yesterday. It's about good government.," and perhaps most
22 importantly, "We are not advised."; and

23 WHEREAS, Also worth noting for the next generation of newbies
24 is the importance of paying attention to that seemingly innocuous

1 form of legislation known as the amendment; the inspiration for
2 Extreme Makeover: Legislative Edition, the amendment ensures
3 legislation as unpredictable as the Texas weather, which is also,
4 at times, almost as hot; and

5 WHEREAS, The grateful recipients of a level of hazing that at
6 times bordered on almost manageable, the now slightly more seasoned
7 freshman members would like to thank their colleagues for providing
8 them with an education like no other by some of the finest teachers
9 this chamber has ever known; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
11 Legislature hereby express the heartfelt appreciation of the
12 freshman members of the Texas House to "Mr.SpeakerMembers" for all
13 they have done to ensure that this first session is truly an
14 unforgettable one.