By: Davis of Harris

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For each of the past 61 years, the YMCAs of Texas 2 have sponsored a youth and government program for the purpose of 3 training the state's youth in the process of representative 4 government and democracy; and

5 WHEREAS, Participants are elected by their local YMCA youth 6 clubs or high schools, and preparatory district conferences set 7 agendas for the annual program and acquaint the youth with 8 governmental processes; and

9 WHEREAS, Plans are currently under way for the 62nd and 63rd 10 annual Texas YMCA Model Legislatures and Judicial Sessions to be 11 held in Austin; contemplated dates for those sessions are Thursday 12 through Sunday, January 22-25, 2009, and Thursday through Sunday, 13 January 21-24, 2010, with opening sessions each year planned for 14 the first evening and mock legislative sessions and mock court 15 hearings planned for the following two days; and

16 WHEREAS, The YMCA Youth and Government Program provides a 17 valuable and comprehensive educational experience, and the 18 legislature supports the ideals of this worthy program as a means of 19 developing an informed citizenry and as a training ground for 20 future state officials; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 22 Legislature, in accordance with the house rules of procedure and 23 policies of the House Administration Committee, hereby grant 24 permission to the YMCA Youth and Government Program to use the

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chamber of the House of Representatives on January 22-25, 2009, and
January 21-24, 2010, unless the Texas House of Representatives is
in session on those dates.