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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The T. Boone Pickens Mentoring Hall of Fame in  
2 Irving is opening its doors in March 2009; and

3           WHEREAS, Highlighting the positive difference mentoring has  
4 helped to make in many lives, the museum and resource center is a  
5 project of Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Texas, which matches  
6 young people with mentors in 25 area counties; in 2006 alone, this  
7 record-setting chapter provided mentors to more than 6,000  
8 children; and

9           WHEREAS, The generous support of the T. Boone Pickens  
10 Foundation has contributed greatly to the work and success of the  
11 chapter; in addition to a \$2 million grant that helped Big Brothers  
12 Big Sisters of North Texas boost its mentorships, the foundation  
13 also donated \$1.275 million that will be used to remodel existing  
14 facilities and create the new Mentoring Hall of Fame and resource  
15 center; and

16           WHEREAS, Mentors offer guidance and sound advice that help to  
17 set our youth on a path to a bright future, and the T. Boone Pickens  
18 Mentoring Hall of Fame honors the outstanding Texans who have  
19 selflessly shared their time, talents, and wisdom with others in  
20 order to see them grow; now, therefore, be it

21           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
22 Legislature hereby commemorate the opening of the T. Boone Pickens  
23 Mentoring Hall of Fame and extend to all those associated with this  
24 important endeavor sincere best wishes for continued success.