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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Deputy Mayor Cedric Cirasa of Villefranche-sur-Mer,
2   France, is experiencing the culture, heritage, and institutions of
3   the Lone Star State firsthand as he visits the State Capitol in
4   Austin on March 25, 2009; and

5   WHEREAS, Mr. Cirasa previously served as deputy mayor of
6   Nice; with his recent promotion to deputy mayor of
7   Villefranche-sur-Mer, he also takes on the role of minister of
8   tourism and culture; and

9   WHEREAS, Villefranche-sur-Mer is set along the beautiful
10   coastal region of the Mediterranean known as the Cote d'Azur,
11   between the city of Nice and the principality of Monaco; it has a
12   long and colorful history that began even before the Roman Empire,
13   and today the city's cobbled streets and red-tiled roofs still have
14   a charmingly medieval atmosphere; now a popular resort welcoming
15   more than a million tourists a year, the city is known for its close
16   ties to the United States; the U.S. Navy has a long association with
17   the city, and Mr. Cirasa was in charge of a recent commemoration of
18   World War II and of the U.S. Navy's role in that conflict; and

19   WHEREAS, By visiting the State Capitol, Mr. Cirasa is helping
20   to build stronger ties of friendship and mutual respect between the
21   citizens of his lovely city and the proud residents of the Lone Star
22   State, and it is most fitting that he should be extended the status
23   of honorary Texan; now, therefore, be it

24   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

1 Legislature hereby recognize Cedric Cirasa as an honorary Texan

2 with all the perquisites and privileges accorded to those

3 individuals native to this great state and extend to him sincere

4 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable visit to Austin; and, be

5 it further

6   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

7 prepared for Mr. Cirasa as an expression of high regard by the Texas

8 House of Representatives.