

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Founded in 1947, Texas Southern University now  
2 celebrates 60 years of educational excellence and commitment to  
3 providing opportunity for higher education to all; and

4           WHEREAS, Texas Southern University is the second-largest of  
5 the historically Black colleges and universities in the United  
6 States; the university has opened its doors to higher education for  
7 more than 11,000 students from throughout the State of Texas and  
8 around the country; and

9           WHEREAS, An open-enrollment institution, Texas Southern  
10 University remains committed to its historical mission of offering  
11 opportunities for higher education to underserved students; and

12           WHEREAS, Texas Southern University has conferred more than  
13 48,000 degrees in its 60-year history; and

14           WHEREAS, The Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall  
15 School of Law has been recognized by *U.S. News and World Report*  
16 magazine as the most "diverse law school" in the nation; and

17           WHEREAS, Texas Southern University trains the majority of  
18 teachers for the Houston Independent School District, the largest  
19 school district in the State of Texas; and

20           WHEREAS, Among Houston's African American citizens, one in  
21 six has attended Texas Southern University; most of the African  
22 American pharmacists in the State of Texas have also attended the  
23 university; and

24           WHEREAS, The Texas Southern University National Alumni

1 Association represents thousands of active and concerned alumni in  
2 14 chapters nationwide; and

3 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Southern University National  
4 Alumni Association and the members of the Texas Southern University  
5 Student Government Association are traveling to Austin on April 27,  
6 2009, to visit with members of the Texas Senate and the Texas House  
7 of Representatives and to express their support for a strong and  
8 independent Texas Southern University for the benefit of higher  
9 education in Texas; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
11 Legislature hereby congratulate the Texas Southern University  
12 community on its many contributions to our state and recognize  
13 April 27, 2009, as Texas Southern University Day at the State  
14 Capitol; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
16 for the Texas Southern University National Alumni Association  
17 president and the Texas Southern University Student Government  
18 Association president as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
19 House of Representatives.

Coleman

Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Peña
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

H.R. No. 1551

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1551 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House