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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a system of
exercise and teachings rooted in ancient Chinese culture that seeks
to refine the body and transform the spirit; and

WHEREAS, Consisting of gentle movements and meditation, Falun Dafa is based on the principles of truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance; the practice was first introduced to the public in 1992, and today it has followers in more than 80 countries; and

8 WHEREAS, Every year, supporters gather together for World 9 Falun Dafa Day, celebrating the beauty of Falun Dafa, the spirit of 10 its principles, and the efforts of practitioners fighting for their 11 human rights in response to persecution from the Chinese Communist 12 Party; and

WHEREAS, May 13, 2009, is the 17th annual World Falun Dafa Day, and to join the global celebration, practitioners in Texas will hold an event on the south side of the Capitol on Saturday, May 16 16; and

WHEREAS, For nearly two decades, Falun Dafa has helped countless Texans to lead healthier, less stressful lives by working to improve their health, purify their minds, and uplift their spirit; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 22 Legislature hereby commemorate World Falun Dafa Day on May 13, 23 2009, and the special observance to be held on the Capitol grounds 24 on May 16, 2009, and extend to all practitioners sincere best wishes

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1 for a meaningful observance.