By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The family-owned engineering firm Dikita 2 Enterprises of Dallas is celebrating the 30th anniversary of its 3 founding in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Now one of the largest minority-owned engineering
companies in Dallas, Dikita Enterprises was founded in Milwaukee,
Wisconsin, in 1979 by Lucious L. Williams, who used his car as
collateral to secure a start-up loan; and

8 WHEREAS, After several successful years in Milwaukee, Dikita 9 opened its Dallas office in 1983, and it has since managed offices 10 in Fort Worth, Beaumont, Port Arthur, and Shreveport, Louisiana; it 11 currently operates a location in San Diego along with its corporate 12 headquarters in Dallas; and

WHEREAS, The firm's name translates as "bringing the community together for its greater good," and over the past three decades, Dikita has built a strong reputation as a premier multidisciplinary engineering, planning, and management consulting firm, with clients in both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, The company's two divisions, Dikita Engineering and Dikita Management Services, have overseen more than a billion dollars' worth of projects, including data collection for Dallas Area Rapid Transit, construction management for the Starplex Amphitheatre, engineering and design services for the South Oak Cliff Rail Line, and management of bond programs for a number of Texas school districts and universities; and

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1 WHEREAS, Still owned and run by Mr. Williams as president and 2 CEO, the company has further benefited from the active involvement 3 of his daughter, Eve Williams, who serves as vice president and 4 chief financial officer; Mr. Williams's granddaughter, Erika, has 5 started to work for the company while she completes her engineering 6 degree at Texas A&M University; and

7 WHEREAS, The prosperity of the Lone Star State depends in 8 large part on the strength and innovative spirit of family-owned 9 businesses, and the three generations of the Williams family are 10 helping to ensure that Dikita Enterprises will continue to thrive 11 well into the 21st century; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 13 Legislature hereby congratulate Dikita Enterprises on its 30th 14 anniversary and extend to the Williams family and their employees 15 sincere best wishes for continued success and achievement; and, be 16 it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for the company as an expression of high regard by the 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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