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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Houston Minority Supplier Development Council
- 2 (HMSDC) is hosting EXPO 2009, the Lone Star State's largest
- 3 minority business development trade fair, at the George R. Brown
- 4 Convention Center on September 1 and 2, 2009; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The HMSDC is affiliated with the Houston Minority
- 6 Business Council, a nonprofit organization dedicated to expanding
- 7 business opportunities for minority-owned businesses by
- 8 encouraging their relationships with major corporations; the
- 9 group's membership includes more than 220 corporations and over 900
- 10 minority businesses; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The council's annual EXPO helps major corporations
- 12 to identify proven minority suppliers and to disseminate
- 13 information on conducting business with their companies; moreover,
- 14 the fair allows minority businesses to explore contracting
- 15 opportunities with corporations and government agencies by
- 16 building relationships with key personnel; and
- WHEREAS, EXPO 2009 will build on the success of last year's
- 18 event, which brought together more than 1,500 attendees and
- 19 generated over \$235,000 in corporate sponsorship; and
- WHEREAS, The Houston Minority Supplier Development Council
- 21 and EXPO 2009 contribute greatly to the economic vitality of Texas
- 22 by providing invaluable resources and new opportunities for
- 23 minority-owned businesses, and it is a pleasure to recognize this
- 24 worthy endeavor; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby commemorate EXPO 2009, hosted by the Houston
- 3 Minority Supplier Development Council, and extend best wishes to
- 4 the trade fair's sponsors and participants for an enjoyable and
- 5 productive event; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for the council as an expression of high regard by the
- 8 Texas House of Representatives.