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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Build San Antonio Green has been named a Local Green

2 Home Building Program of the Year for 2009 by the National

3 Association of Home Builders; and

4 WHEREAS, Each year during its National Green Building

5 Conference, the NAHB recognizes companies, organizations, and

6 individuals for their leadership and for setting practical examples

7 of environmentally responsible construction for others in the

8 industry; Build San Antonio Green was one of just two recipients in

9 the nation of the Local Green Home Building Program of the Year

10 award; and

11 WHEREAS, Build San Antonio Green was established in 2002 by

12 the Metropolitan Partnership for Energy to create awareness and

13 interest among builders and homeowners in resource-efficient

14 building methods, materials, and technologies; the residential

15 green building program focuses on such factors as energy

16 efficiency, water conservation, and indoor air quality, and it

17 includes and promotes San Antonio Water System and CPS Energy

18 rebates, as well as other related incentives; and

19 WHEREAS, Through a quality review process, new and remodeled

20 homes are certified green under the BSAG program when they comply

21 with a detailed checklist of specifications; builders entering the

22 program receive ongoing training in green building techniques and

23 attend continuing education classes; the program, co-administered

24 by the Greater San Antonio Builders Association, provides each

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- 1 green home with a certification showing its scoring and with an
- 2 operating manual for the owner; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The program is based on such common construction
- 4 methods as stick frame building, and the requirements are geared to
- 5 be attainable by homes in the average price range; more than 250
- 6 homes have been certified to date, and BSAG estimates that their
- 7 energy efficiency eliminates more than 1.3 million pounds of carbon
- 8 dioxide emissions and saves approximately 1.5 million
- 9 kilowatt-hours of energy per year; the Texas Commission on
- 10 Environmental Quality has recognized BSAG with its Texas
- 11 Environmental Excellence Award; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In the context of a growing population, increasing
- 13 pollution, and reduced energy security, the sound policies
- 14 encouraged by Build San Antonio Green are vitally important, and
- 15 the success of this program is improving the quality of life in the
- 16 area and setting a noteworthy example for other communities across
- 17 the country; now, therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby congratulate Build San Antonio Green on being
- 20 named a 2009 Local Green Home Building Program of the Year by the
- 21 National Association of Home Builders and commend all those
- 22 associated with the program on their outstanding efforts; and, be
- 23 it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 25 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
- 26 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2488 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House