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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Patrick Steck has provided valuable public service 2 to the people of the great State of Texas as a legislative aide in 3 the office of Representative Dan Gattis during the 81st Legislative 4 Session; and

5 WHEREAS, A December 2008 graduate of Texas A&M University 6 with a bachelor's degree in economics, Mr. Steck sought to apply his 7 academic knowledge by gaining practical hands-on experience in 8 Texas government through the prestigious Agricultural and Natural 9 Resources Policy Internship Program at Texas A&M University; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Steck was selected for his internship assignment 11 by the office of Representative Dan Gattis after an extensive 12 interview process, during which he thoughtfully and succinctly 13 answered the many and varied questions posed to intern candidates; 14 and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Steck has exceeded all expectations of Representative Gattis and his office colleagues, 16 skillfully handling the many diverse responsibilities assigned to him in his 17 role as a legislative aide; he worked on all aspects of the 18 representative's legislative agenda, serving as principal staffer 19 20 the House Committee on Technology, Economic assigned to 21 Development, and Workforce, where he was a natural fit due to his keen interest in technological advancements and economic policy; 22 23 ably performing all of his assigned committee responsibilities, he reviewed and provided detailed and accurate analyses of all bills 24

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1 heard by the committee; and

2 WHEREAS, Well-liked by his fellow staffers for his team 3 attitude, friendly personality, and professional work habits, he 4 demonstrated a genuine desire to learn any task and complete all 5 assignments in a superior and timely fashion; these efforts clearly 6 contributed to the success of the legislation authored and 7 sponsored by Representative Gattis during the session; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Steck is committed to furthering his knowledge in public policy and has been accepted as a part of the fall class of 9 the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of 10 given his demonstrated scholarship and 11 Texas; legislative experience gained during this session, this Fightin' Texas Aggie 12 will undoubtedly excel, and teach Longhorns how to "Whoop" in the 13 14 finest Aggie tradition; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Legislature hereby commend Patrick Steck for his service as a 16 legislative aide in the office of State Representative Dan Gattis, 17 thank him for his work in behalf of the citizens of Texas, and 18 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further 19 20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Steck as an expression of high regard by the Texas 21 House of Representatives. 22

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2819 was adopted by the House on June 1, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House