

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Acclaimed journalist Roland Martin is sharing his  
2 insights and experience as a guest speaker at the African American  
3 Legislative Summit, which is being held in Austin on February 28 and  
4 March 1, 2011; and

5           WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mr. Martin is a 1987 graduate of the  
6 Magnet School of Communications at Jack Yates High School in  
7 Houston, and in 1991, he received a bachelor's degree in journalism  
8 from Texas A&M University; in 2008, he earned a master's degree in  
9 Christian communications from Louisiana Baptist University; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. Martin served as editor for several newspapers,  
11 magazines, and websites, including the *Chicago Defender*, the  
12 *Houston Defender*, the *Dallas Weekly*, *Savoy* magazine, and  
13 BlackAmericaWeb.com, and he is the former owner and publisher of  
14 the *Dallas-Fort Worth Heritage*, a Christian monthly; he was also a  
15 reporter, news director, and talk show host for radio stations in  
16 Dallas/Fort Worth and Chicago; and

17           WHEREAS, A well-respected television commentator for TV One  
18 and CNN, Mr. Martin is the host of *Washington Watch with Roland*  
19 *Martin* and a regular guest on many other media outlets across the  
20 nation and around the world; he is also a nationally syndicated  
21 columnist and the author of three books; and

22           WHEREAS, Mr. Martin's extraordinary career has been  
23 recognized with more than 30 awards, including two NAACP Image  
24 Awards, the President's Award from the National Association of

1 Black Journalists, and a regional Edward R. Murrow Award; *Ebony*  
2 magazine has cited him as one of the 150 most influential African  
3 Americans in the nation for three years in a row, and the British  
4 newspaper the *Daily Telegraph* named him as one of the top 50  
5 political pundits; and

6 WHEREAS, Throughout the course of a dynamic and varied  
7 career, Roland Martin has proven himself time and again to be one of  
8 the most insightful and provocative commentators on the American  
9 political scene, and it is indeed an honor and a pleasure to welcome  
10 him back to Texas for the African American Legislative Summit; now,  
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Roland Martin for his many  
14 achievements and extend to him sincere best wishes for a meaningful  
15 and memorable visit to Austin; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 627

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 627 was adopted by the House on February 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House