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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Greater Houston Women's Chamber of 2 Commerce are visiting the State Capitol on March 1, 2011, and their 3 attendance provides a fitting opportunity to recognize the 4 achievements of this vital civic organization; and

5 WHEREAS, Founded in December 2007 by Suzan Deison, the 6 Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce is a nonprofit business 7 association made up of influential and diverse individuals 8 dedicated to the advancement and empowerment of women; the group 9 makes training and microloans available to women entrepreneurs, 10 offers education on leadership skills for executives, and presents 11 scholarships to promising students; and

WHEREAS, The chamber now has 525 member businesses ranging from Fortune 500 companies to small ventures; committed to meeting area businesswomen's needs for advocacy and mentoring, the chamber salso sponsors other civic projects, including a science, technology, engineering, and math initiative that works to increase interest in those subjects among girls at the elementary-school level; and

WHEREAS, By becoming a united force for the advancement of women in a range of endeavors, the Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce is assisting the development of business, professional, and civic leaders that will benefit the city for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

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Legislature hereby welcome members of the Greater Houston Women's
Chamber of Commerce to the State Capitol and extend to them sincere
best wishes for a meaningful and memorable visit to Austin; and, be
it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for the chamber as an expression of high regard by the 7 Texas House of Representatives.