By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Dallas chapter of the Conference of 2 Minority Transportation Officials are visiting the State Capitol on 3 February 2, 2011, in conjunction with Minority Business Enterprise 4 Public Policy Day; and

5 WHEREAS, Founded in 1971 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., the Conference of Minority Transportation 6 Officials was created to ensure that minorities in the rapidly 7 expanding transportation industry were allowed equal access to 8 9 employment, promotion, and business development opportunities; today, COMTO has 39 chapters throughout the United States, and the 10 organization provides leadership programs, advocacy services, and 11 12 comprehensive training and education to its members; and

13 WHEREAS, The Dallas chapter of COMTO works to inform minority 14 transportation professionals of contract opportunities with major agencies such as DFW International Airport, the North Texas Tollway 15 16 Authority, Dallas Love Field Airport, and the U.S. Department of Transportation; led by its president, Renee Edwards, the chapter 17 also hosts a number of worthwhile initiatives, including an annual 18 golf tournament to raise scholarship funds for promising students; 19 20 and

21 WHEREAS, Through its noteworthy efforts, the Dallas chapter 22 of COMTO is facilitating economic inclusion of historically 23 disenfranchised members of the community, and in so doing, it is 24 helping to increase prosperity in the Metroplex and across the Lone

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas Legislature hereby welcome the Dallas chapter of the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials to the State Capitol on Minority Business Enterprise Public Policy Day and extend to all those associated with the chapter sincere best wishes for an informative and productive stay in Austin; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for the chapter as an expression of high regard by the 10 Texas House of Representatives.