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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Plan II Honors Program at The University of
2 Texas at Austin celebrated the 75th anniversary of its founding in
3 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1935 by Dean H. T. Parlin, the Plan II
5 Honors Program is a challenging interdisciplinary curriculum
6 intended for students who want to earn a liberal education; the
7 course of study provides an alternative to professional training
8 and seeks to endow students with a knowledge of science and society
9 and a genuine appreciation of culture and the arts; and

10 WHEREAS, Plan II has as its goal the enlightened individual,
11 schooled in important fields of knowledge and ready to take on the
12 responsibilities of full, engaged citizenship; highly selective,
13 the program includes a yearlong course in world literature from the
14 ancients to the present, as well as a two-semester philosophy
15 course, a sequence of reasoning, theoretical, and scientific
16 classes, a number of social science and history requirements, and a
17 senior thesis; and

18 WHEREAS, Not just a curriculum but also a community, Plan II
19 offers students intimate seminar classes with a great deal of
20 interaction and discussion; program alumni have gone on to become
21 leaders in business, government, law, public service, education,
22 and athletics; and

23 WHEREAS, Academically rigorous and personally transformative
24 for students, the Plan II Honors Program exemplifies the paramount

1 ideals of higher education, and it is indeed deserving of special
2 commendation for the profound difference it has made in the lives of
3 countless people; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
5 Legislature hereby recognize March 22, 2011, as The University of
6 Texas at Austin Plan II Honors Day and extend to all those
7 associated with the program sincere best wishes for continued
8 success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for the UT Plan II Honors Program as an expression of high
11 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.