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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Association for Symphony
Orchestras are gathering in Austin for their annual conference
March 31 through April 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the exchange of ideas for the promotion and development of orchestras in Texas, TASO is made up of local volunteer organizations from across the state that support symphonic ensembles in their communities; the group was founded in 1967 as the Texas Women's Association for Symphony Orchestras, and it adopted its present name in 1984; and

WHEREAS, TASO's member organizations take turns hosting the 10 11 annual conference, and the 2011 meeting, "Capital City Buzz," is 12 being sponsored by the Women's Symphony League of Austin; the event will include approximately 150 delegates from 29 organizations in 13 14 Texas and one from New Mexico; as part of the event, Awards of Excellence will be presented to volunteer Nancy Young, patrons 15 Sarah and Ernest Butler, and business supporter Publications and 16 Communications Inc. (PCI); and 17

WHEREAS, The delegates will also be treated to performances by the three winners of the TASO 2011 Juanita Miller Concerto Competition; named for the organization's first president, this prestigious statewide contest recognizes outstanding high school musicians; this year's honorees include the grand prize winner, cellist Russell Houston, as well as pianist Emily Tan and oboist Jillian Honn; and

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1 WHEREAS, The symphony orchestras of Texas contribute greatly 2 to the cultural richness of the Lone Star State, and the members of 3 TASO may take justifiable pride in their efforts to support and 4 further this proud musical tradition; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 6 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2011 conference of the Texas 7 Association for Symphony Orchestras and extend to the participants 8 sincere best wishes for a memorable and meaningful weekend in 9 Austin; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the 12 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 888 was adopted by the House on March 31, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House