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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Proud Texans of Chinese descent are joining with

2 ethnic Chinese across the nation and around the world to celebrate

3 the centennial of the Republic of China in Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, On January 1, 2011, a coalition of individuals and

5 organizations in Texas known as the ROC-Taiwan Double Ten

6 Centennial Celebration Committee held an inaugural event to kick

7 off a yearlong celebration of the founding of the republic; among

8 its highlights will be the observance of the Republic of China

9 National Day on October 10, also known as Double Ten Day, the event

10 commemorates the uprising in the city of Wuchang on that date in

11 1911, which led to the overthrow of the Manchu Dynasty; and

12 WHEREAS, The success of that revolt led to the founding of the

13 Republic of China by Dr. Sun Yat-sen on January 1, 1912; one of the

14 preeminent figures in Chinese history, Dr. Sun played an

15 instrumental role in leading his nation from thousands of years of

16 monarchy to a state founded on modern principles of political

17 philosophy; and

18 WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the Republic of China in

19 Taiwan has distinguished itself among the nations of the world with

20 its extraordinary progress in business, industry, and education,

21 which has enabled its citizens to enjoy a prosperous life in an open

22 society; the republic has in common with the United States a

23 commitment to free markets, democracy, and civil liberty, as well

24 as the desire to expand cooperation and mutual understanding; and

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WHEREAS, By commemorating this milestone in the history of a great nation, the members of the ROC-Taiwan Double Ten Centennial Celebration Committee honor not only the ideals of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and his commitment to freedom but also a common heritage of incomparable richness that is shared by all people of Chinese descent; now, therefore, be it

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

8 Legislature hereby commemorate the centennial of the founding of 9 the Republic of China in Taiwan and extend to the members of the 10 ROC-Taiwan Double Ten Centennial Celebration Committee sincere 11 best wishes for a successful anniversary year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the members of the committee as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.