

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than 50 years, the National Aeronautics and
2 Space Administration has played a vital role in the life of the
3 nation and the State of Texas; and

4 WHEREAS, Created by Congress in 1958, NASA ushered in an era
5 of exciting innovations that have contributed to our nation's
6 security, safety, and communications; from medical advances,
7 including MRI and CAT scan technology, fetal heart monitors, and
8 programmable heart pacemakers, to explorations of space and
9 important scientific discoveries about our solar system and beyond,
10 NASA has inspired generations of Americans; and

11 WHEREAS, The agency has especially benefited the people of
12 Texas; the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston is the home of
13 America's astronaut corps, the site of mission control, and NASA's
14 lead center for the International Space Station; it employs more
15 than 3,300 civil servants and some 13,000 contractors and awards
16 \$5.3 billion in annual contracts; and

17 WHEREAS, NASA's Space Alliance Technology Outreach Program
18 has helped small businesses with technical challenges, resulting in
19 the creation of new jobs and business ventures, and the agency's
20 technological breakthroughs have positively impacted all of the
21 state's major industries; furthermore, through such programs as
22 Texas Aerospace Scholars, the NASA Explorer Schools, and the
23 Network of Educator Astronaut Teachers, NASA has nurtured and
24 inspired countless young people to become scientists, engineers,

1 and explorers; and

2 WHEREAS, The year 2010 was significant for NASA as it
3 celebrated the passage of the NASA Authorization Act, the 10th
4 anniversary of the International Space Station, and the successful
5 completion of three shuttle missions; in 2011, the agency will
6 finish assembling the ISS and retire the shuttle fleet after two
7 more missions; and

8 WHEREAS, NASA is a valued and indispensable part of the
9 economy and culture of the Lone Star State, and Texans may indeed
10 take great pride in the agency's extraordinary contributions to
11 human knowledge, the spirit of exploration, and the progress of
12 science and technology; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
14 Legislature hereby honor the accomplishments and ongoing legacy of
15 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and recognize
16 March 31, 2011, as Space Day; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for NASA as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
19 of Representatives.

J. Davis of Harris

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H.R. No. 1021

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1021 was adopted by the House on March 31, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House