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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, John W. Griffin, Jr., of Victoria has been named
- 2 chair of the American Diabetes Association Board of Directors for
- 3 2011; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Griffin, a longtime advocate for the treatment
- 5 and prevention of diabetes, has been a member of the ADA for nearly
- 6 20 years; during that time he has applied his considerable
- 7 expertise to assisting the organization in many different
- 8 capacities, including those of vice chair of the board and chair of
- 9 the legal advocacy subcommittee, as well as through his membership
- 10 on the advocacy and finance committees and the Safe at School Task
- 11 Force; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Born in Port Lavaca, John Griffin graduated from
- 13 Austin College with a degree in political science in 1978 and earned
- 14 his juris doctor degree from the University of Missouri School of
- 15 Law in 1981; he worked as a staff attorney for State Comptroller Bob
- 16 Bullock until entering private practice in 1983, and he currently
- 17 serves as managing partner with the firm Marek, Griffin & Knaupp;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, In addition to giving generously of his time and
- 20 talents to the ADA, Mr. Griffin has used his legal skills to win
- 21 landmark cases protecting the rights of workers with diabetes; he
- 22 has also contributed to the fight against the disease through his
- 23 financial generosity to the ADA, his philanthropy earning him
- 24 membership in both the association's Pinnacle Society and its

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- 1 Summit Circle; and
- 2 WHEREAS, This distinguished Texan has received repeated
- 3 recognition for his tireless efforts to further the cause of
- 4 diabetes prevention and cure; the ADA has conferred on him the
- 5 Addison B. Scoville Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service, and in
- 6 2008, Governor Rick Perry appointed Mr. Griffin to the Texas
- 7 Diabetes Council; and
- 8 WHEREAS, An incisive leader who brings exceptional passion
- 9 and ability to his new position, John Griffin, Jr., is an invaluable
- 10 asset to the American Diabetes Association, and he is indeed worthy
- 11 of special recognition; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby congratulate John W. Griffin, Jr., on his
- 14 selection as chair of the American Diabetes Association Board of
- 15 Directors and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 16 success in all his endeavors; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Mr. Griffin as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1092 was adopted by the House on March 31, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House