

By: Morrison

H.R. No. 1092

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4           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

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

12           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.