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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Taiwanese Heritage Society of Houston is marking
2 Taiwanese American Heritage Week with a celebratory concert by
3 distinguished violinist Shien-ta Su on May 14, 2011; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1988, the Taiwanese Heritage Society of
5 Houston is a nonprofit organization which manages the Taiwanese
6 Community Center and the Houston Taiwanese School of Languages and
7 Culture; the society also promotes public understanding of
8 Taiwanese cultural heritage and organizes charitable programs such
9 as food drives, disaster relief efforts, and outreach initiatives
10 at neighborhood schools; moreover, the community center is a home
11 for language, math, and continuing education classes as well as
12 activities for local senior citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, Professor Shien-ta Su will be performing solo at the
14 Shepherd School of Music at Rice University; chair of the music
15 department and director of two music research institutes at Taipei
16 National University of the Arts, Professor Su graduated from the
17 Ecole Normale de Musique de Paris in 1986 and also served as the
18 concertmaster for the school's orchestra; he has played with the
19 Taipei philharmonic and symphony orchestras and has appeared in
20 concert in the United States, Canada, China, Russia, and Costa Rica
21 and throughout Europe; and

22 WHEREAS, Among the works that Professor Su will perform is
23 music by Tze-yuan Kuo, a pioneer of contemporary Taiwanese music
24 who has written operas, symphonies, and both popular and art songs

1 and whose pieces have won numerous awards, as well as the music of
2 Tyzen Hsiao, a pianist, composer, and conductor who is the author of
3 the musical epic poem *1947 Overtures*; and

4 WHEREAS, This notable concert represents a wonderful
5 occasion for area residents to experience the cultural and artistic
6 traditions of the Taiwanese American community and to recognize
7 their important role in the diverse makeup of the Lone Star State;
8 now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
10 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2011 Taiwanese American
11 Heritage Week celebratory concert and extend to all those involved
12 in the event sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable
13 evening; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the Taiwanese Heritage Society of Houston as an
16 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.