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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, First-time author Larry Phifer has fulfilled a dream
- 2 and earned acclaim by publishing the children's book World on a
- 3 String; and
- WHEREAS, The volume combines rhymed couplets by Mr. Phifer
- 5 and colorful illustrations by artist Danny Popovici to tell the
- 6 story of a boy who finds and then loses a red balloon; its heartfelt
- 7 message is designed to help young children understand the concept
- 8 of loss; and
- 9 WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of El Paso, Mr. Phifer is a real
- 10 estate lawyer by profession, but he has crafted children's stories
- 11 for many years and has long harbored a passion to publish his work;
- 12 he used the Kickstarter website to raise \$15,000 to create his own
- 13 publishing company, Storytime Works; and
- WHEREAS, World on a String is the company's first book, and it
- 15 has received a positive response from children, parents, and
- 16 educators in the El Paso area, as well as favorable attention from
- 17 readers across the nation on the Goodreads and NetGalley websites;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, Larry Phifer's creativity and determination have
- 20 resulted in the publication of his first book, and he may indeed
- 21 take great pride in that notable achievement; now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 23 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Larry Phifer
- 24 on the publication of World on a String and extend to him sincere

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- 1 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- $3\,\,$ prepared for Mr. Phifer as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 4 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 132 was adopted by the House on July 25, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House