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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 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

14 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

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.