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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Luis S. Spinola has distinguished himself as the 2 president and CEO of the Azteca-Omega Group, a much-lauded Texas 3 contracting firm; and

WHEREAS, A native of Mexico City, Mr. Spinola worked for his uncles' construction firms during his youth and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in civil engineering, graduating summa cum laude and receiving a medal from the president of Mexico; he later obtained a master's degree in heavy construction and storm, sewer, and water line design; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Spinola immigrated to the United States in 1983 10 11 and began hiring employees, many of whom remain with him today; his company initially performed civil and site work for a private 12 developer and soon expanded its services to include structural and 13 14 concrete work, underground utilities, and ornamental steelwork; the Azteca-Omega Group has been certified to work with local, 15 state, and federal agencies and with private-sector clients by the 16 North and South Central Texas Regional Certification Agencies, the 17 Dallas/Fort Worth and Houston Minority Supplier Development 18 Councils, the Texas Department of Transportation, and the Texas 19 20 Historically Underutilized Business program; and

21 WHEREAS, Azteca-Omega has contributed to a number of major 22 projects, including the retractable steel roof of Cowboys Stadium 23 in Arlington, the Parkland Hospital expansion, and the Dallas/Fort 24 Worth International Airport terminal development, and the company

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1 has served as the program manager for a \$1 billion Dallas
2 Independent School District bond program; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Spinola has been recognized numerous times over the course of his 30-year career, receiving accolades from the 4 5 Dallas Business Journal, DART, the Dallas/Fort Worth Minority Supplier Development Council, the Regional Hispanic Contractors 6 Association, the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the 7 Black Contractors Association, and Ernst and Young; he has created 8 internship programs in partnership with Texas A&M University, the 9 10 University of North Texas, and Texas Christian University, among other institutions, and he has encouraged his employees to become 11 LEED certified; and 12

WHEREAS, Through his achievements founding and leading the Azteca-Omega Group, Luis Spinola has become a true Texas success story, and in so doing, he has earned the lasting respect and admiration of many people; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 18 Legislature hereby honor Luis S. Spinola for his work as president 19 and CEO of the Azteca-Omega Group and extend to him sincere best 20 wishes for the future; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 22 prepared for Mr. Spinola as an expression of high regard by the 23 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 202 was adopted by the House on February 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House