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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Marvin E. Robinson, chair emeritus of the
- 2 Dallas Black Dance Theatre Board of Directors, is being honored by
- 3 that notable organization on February 17, 2013; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Robinson served as chair of the board from 1994
- 5 to 2011, and during that time, he was instrumental in the growth and
- 6 success of DBDT; now in its 36th season, DBDT is based in the Dallas
- 7 Arts District at the AT&T Arts Center's Dee and Charles Wyly Theatre
- 8 and its five performing companies tour the country and the world;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, A graduate of Southern University and the Howard
- 11 University School of Law, Dr. Robinson has excelled in a number of
- 12 fields; he helped develop a business magnet high school in Dallas in
- 13 the 1970s and served as its first director, and later at the Xerox
- 14 Corporation, he was a national manager and assistant to the
- 15 president of community affairs; his achievements with the company
- 16 include the creation of a community involvement program that
- 17 established Xerox as a model corporate citizen in Dallas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Robinson went on to pursue entrepreneurship as
- 19 the owner and operator of a Burger King franchise from 1985 to 1988;
- 20 he subsequently accepted a position as president of Accommodations,
- 21 Inc., a concessions management company, and since 1995, he has been
- 22 the sole owner of the business; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Along the way, Dr. Robinson has shared his time and
- 24 resources with numerous groups, among them the Dallas Park and

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- 1 Recreation Department, the Salvation Army, the YMCA, the NAACP, the
- 2 Rainbow PUSH Coalition, and the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce,
- 3 which he served as president; he has further distinguished himself
- 4 as a dedicated patron of the arts and has served as a member of the
- 5 board of the AT&T Performing Arts Center; and
- 6 WHEREAS, This accomplished leader has been recognized with
- 7 many accolades through the years; he is the recipient of the UNCF
- 8 Meritorious Service Award, the Dallas Historical Society's Award
- 9 for Excellence in Community Service, and the Business Council for
- 10 the Arts Obelisk Award for Arts Leadership, to name but a few; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Through his expertise and commitment, Marvin
- 12 Robinson has contributed greatly to the exceptional work of the
- 13 Dallas Black Dance Theatre, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring
- 14 him for his outstanding involvement; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby honor Dr. Marvin E. Robinson for his efforts in
- 17 behalf of the Dallas Black Dance Theatre and extend to him sincere
- 18 best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for Dr. Robinson as an expression of high regard by the
- 21 Texas House of Representatives.

Giddings

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 428 was adopted by the House on February 13, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House