## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Building Owners and Managers Association are gathering in Austin on February 21, 2013, to celebrate Texas BOMA Advocacy Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1937 as the state chapter of BOMA International, Texas BOMA represents the interests of stakeholders in the commercial real estate business; it is composed of 2,000 members and six federated associations in Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, and San Antonio; as leaders in a vital industry, its members support over 65,000 jobs, provide $\$ 2.5$ billion in new personal earnings, and contribute more than $\$ 7.8$ billion to the state economy; and

WHEREAS, Texas BOMA is aligned with its parent organization in working to reduce the environmental impact of development by advancing energy efficiency and sustainability initiatives; since 2007, BOMA International has been honored by the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy with three ENERGY STAR Sustained Excellence Awards and two Partner of the Year Awards; and

WHEREAS, For more than 70 years, the Texas Building Owners and Managers Association has served as a voice for those who work in the commercial real estate industry while helping to promote responsible building practices, and the organization's legislative day provides a welcome opportunity to recognize the dedicated efforts of its membership; now, therefore, be it

2 Legislature hereby recognize February 21, 2013, as Texas BOMA 3 Advocacy Day at the State Capitol and extend sincere best wishes to the members of the delegation here today for an enjoyable visit to Austin; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

