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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce recently
- 2 presented the owners of All Things Kids, Christian and Karen
- 3 Soeffker, its 2012 Small Business Award; and
- WHEREAS, Established in 2009 in the family garage, All Things
- 5 Kids was born from the Soeffkers' desire to provide their son, Carl,
- 6 with creatively designed and educationally stimulating toys; the
- 7 business eventually moved into its current location on Main Street,
- 8 where Mr. Soeffker runs the daily operations and Mrs. Soeffker
- 9 assists when not at her full-time job at an Austin technology
- 10 company; Carl, now six years old, has also shown an impressive work
- 11 ethic in his role as vice president of product testing; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In addition to their selection of toys, All Things
- 13 Kids also offers unique services such as summer learning programs
- 14 and child care on weekend nights; graduates of the Leadership
- 15 Georgetown program, the Soeffkers have been members of the chamber
- 16 since their store opened and have demonstrated remarkable
- 17 entrepreneurial spirit, with sales increasing 200 percent in 2012
- 18 alone, and dedication to their city, as they actively promote
- 19 downtown Georgetown; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Locally owned and operated small businesses play a
- 21 vital role in the prosperity of the Lone Star State, and Karen and
- 22 Christian Soeffker may indeed reflect with pride on their important
- 23 contributions to the Georgetown community; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby honor Christian and Karen Soeffker on their
- 2 receipt of the 2012 Small Business Award from the Georgetown
- 3 Chamber of Commerce and extend to them sincere best wishes for
- 4 continued success; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Soeffker as an expression of high regard
- 7 by the Texas House of Representatives.