

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A number of proud Texans are visiting Austin on  
2 February 25, 2013, to celebrate Texas Southern University Day at  
3 the State Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, Founded in 1927, with a loan from the Houston Public  
5 School Board, Texas Southern University opened its doors as Houston  
6 Colored Junior College; the school was highly successful and  
7 enrollment grew quickly, leading to its transition to a four-year  
8 institution in 1934, with a graduate program added in 1943; the  
9 Texas Legislature appropriated \$2 million in 1947 to buy the campus  
10 of what was then Houston College for Negroes in order to create a  
11 new state-supported university, and four years later the school  
12 assumed the name Texas Southern University; and

13           WHEREAS, Today, Texas Southern is one of the largest of the  
14 historically black colleges and universities in the United States;  
15 located in Houston's Third Ward, it enrolls more than 9,500  
16 students from throughout the country and around the world, and it  
17 employs nearly 1,300 faculty and staff; it is composed of 10 schools  
18 and colleges that offer 45 baccalaureate academic majors, as well  
19 as 29 master's degree programs, 8 doctorate programs, and a  
20 J.D. law program; and

21           WHEREAS, Texas Southern University is committed to serving  
22 students of diverse cultural, religious, educational, and economic  
23 backgrounds and to preparing them for future leadership roles; the  
24 university trains the majority of African American lawyers in

1 Houston and African American teachers in the Houston Independent  
2 School District, and it has historically graduated more than 27  
3 percent of the African American pharmacists in the United States;  
4 in addition, the university's Thurgood Marshall School of Law has  
5 been recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as the most diverse law  
6 school in the nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Throughout its history, Texas Southern University  
8 has provided its students with a solid foundation for achievement,  
9 and it has been a powerful force for social progress and economic  
10 development in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
12 Legislature hereby recognize February 25, 2013, as Texas Southern  
13 University Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those  
14 associated with this notable institution sincere best wishes for  
15 continued success; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Texas Southern University as an expression of high  
18 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

Coleman

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H.R. No. 576

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 576 was adopted by the House on February 25, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House