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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Samsung Electronics has demonstrated a commitment
2 to creating jobs in Texas by placing its only semiconductor
3 manufacturing plant outside of Korea in Austin, and now it is
4 deepening that commitment with a \$4 billion expansion of the
5 factory; and

6 WHEREAS, The newly expanded fabrication plant will be one of
7 the largest in the United States, producing advanced logic devices
8 for Samsung's large-scale integrated circuits business, while
9 continuing to manufacture the NAND Flash memory chips; in addition,
10 the company will expand the Samsung Austin Semiconductor Research
11 Center (SARC), which already employs more than 200 engineers; and

12 WHEREAS, Due to be up and running by the end of 2013, this
13 expansion will bring an additional 500 jobs to Austin, increasing
14 the payroll impact on the local economy to well over \$100 million;
15 the company has contributed to the community with more than \$2.5
16 million in donations to local organizations, and through the
17 company's active giving campaign, its employees have contributed a
18 further \$10 million; the expansion of the plant will bring
19 Samsung's total investment in Austin to \$15 billion; and

20 WHEREAS, This dynamic corporation also plays a significant
21 role in the North Texas business community; more than 2,000 Texans
22 are employed at the Samsung Telecommunications America facility in
23 Dallas, which opened in 1996; today, its staff develops a wide range
24 of personal and business communications products, including

1 wireless phones, tablets, wireless communications infrastructure
2 systems, fiber optics, and enterprise communications systems, and
3 it markets them throughout North America; and

4 WHEREAS, Over one million Samsung phones arrive at the
5 Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport every week, and the Mobile
6 Handset division in Dallas is the fastest-growing business segment
7 in the history of its parent company, Samsung Electronics Co.,
8 Ltd.; the division has been recognized as the number one mobile
9 phone manufacturer in customer loyalty for five consecutive years,
10 and it has driven the global value of the brand to stratospheric
11 heights; and

12 WHEREAS, Texas is proud of the major corporations and highly
13 skilled workforces that have a presence here, and the expansion of
14 Samsung Austin Semiconductor is sure to bring great benefit to the
15 company and this state for years to come; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
17 Legislature hereby congratulate Samsung Electronics on the
18 expansion of the Samsung Austin Semiconductor plant and honor the
19 company for its contributions to the prosperity of the Lone Star
20 State; and, be it further

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