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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The community service group AT&T Veterans is  
2 celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2013, and its efforts in behalf  
3 of our nation's military personnel, veterans, and their families  
4 are indeed deserving of special recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, Made up of AT&T employees who are veterans or who are  
6 currently serving members of the U.S. armed forces, this  
7 independent nonprofit organization boasts more than 4,500 members  
8 in 40 states and Puerto Rico, and together they account for more  
9 than 12,000 volunteer hours each year; and

10 WHEREAS, Members of AT&T Veterans help coordinate public  
11 observations of Memorial Day and Veterans Day, visit elderly  
12 veterans in nursing homes, and provide support to veteran hospices  
13 and homeless shelters; they also raise \$40,000 annually for student  
14 scholarships; and

15 WHEREAS, Working with such other organizations as Back On My  
16 Feet, Centurion Military Alliance, and the Yellow Ribbon  
17 Reintegration Program and with businesses such as RunTex and White  
18 Lodging, AT&T Veterans also offers mentoring and job assistance to  
19 1,200 veterans each year, helping them reenter the civilian  
20 workforce; and

21 WHEREAS, In addition, AT&T Veterans has entered into  
22 partnerships with the American Lung Association, the American Red  
23 Cross, F7 Group, Hope4Heroes, Military Moms of Texas, the Wounded  
24 Warrior Project, the Student Veterans Association at The University

1 of Texas, and many other organizations that help Texas veterans,  
2 and it has worked with businesses such as H-E-B, the Round Rock  
3 Express, Target, and Home Depot on such projects as Heroes Night  
4 Out, Honor Flight, and Operation Hydration; and

5 WHEREAS, In all its endeavors, AT&T Veterans is supported by  
6 the pro-veteran policies of AT&T, which has been recognized as one  
7 of the 10 Best Corporations for Veteran-Owned Businesses by  
8 *Vetpreneur* magazine and as one of the Top 50 Military-Friendly  
9 Employers by *G. I. Jobs* magazine, as well as cited for having one of  
10 the Best Military Talent Programs by the Electronic Recruiting  
11 Exchange; AT&T is also one of the founding companies of the 100,000  
12 Jobs Mission, which aims to provide jobs to 100,000 veterans by the  
13 end of 2020; and

14 WHEREAS, Our nation owes a profound debt of gratitude to the  
15 men and women of the U.S. armed forces, and for three decades, AT&T  
16 Veterans has played a vital role in welcoming home our veterans and  
17 providing them with the support they so richly deserve; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
20 Legislature hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of AT&T  
21 Veterans and extend to all those affiliated with the group sincere  
22 appreciation for their important work; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for AT&T Veterans as an expression of high regard by the  
25 Texas House of Representatives.