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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is widely
- 2 acknowledged as the preeminent legislative body in Anglo-American
- 3 parliamentary law; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The rich history of the Texas House of
- 5 Representatives, from 1846 to the present time, not only is
- 6 composed of the written words in our journals, bills, and
- 7 resolutions, but also is contained in the memories of each member of
- 8 the Texas House; and
- 9 WHEREAS, On this Speaker's Reunion Day, we are reminded that
- 10 the passage of time has silenced the voices of several house members
- 11 who have contributed to the rich and unique heritage and history of
- 12 the Texas House of Representatives; and
- WHEREAS, For an institution as important in the development
- 14 of the progress of both this state and this nation, it is fitting
- 15 that all portions of our history, both oral and written, should be
- 16 preserved; and
- WHEREAS, A group of institutions of higher education and oral
- 18 historians have convened together to immortalize the memories of
- 19 those who served in this body, for both historical and research
- 20 purposes; with the cooperation of the Legislative Reference
- 21 Library, the following institutions have joined in an effort to
- 22 create the Texas House Oral History Advisory Council: Humanities
- 23 Texas, the University of Houston, The University of Texas at El
- 24 Paso, the University of North Texas, The University of Texas at San

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- 1 Antonio, Texas Tech University, Texas State University, The
- 2 University of Texas at Austin, the Lyndon B. Johnson School of
- 3 Public Affairs, the Dolph Briscoe Center for American History, and
- 4 the Portal to Texas History; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The following oral historians have gathered at the
- 6 Capitol during this reunion to capture the first oral histories,
- 7 and in so doing are pioneering this mission: Gregg Michel of The
- 8 University of Texas at San Antonio, Kristine Navarro-McElhaney of
- 9 The University of Texas at El Paso, Sam Spahn of the LBJ School of
- 10 Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin, Erica
- 11 Whittington of Humanities Texas, and Nancy Beck Young of the
- 12 University of Houston; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby express its deep appreciation to each of the
- 15 institutions in their efforts to preserve and protect the memories
- 16 that will serve as an invaluable source for future generations and
- 17 extend to them all sincere best wishes for success; and, be it
- 18 further
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby commend all the participants who are devoting
- 21 their time to this extremely worthwhile undertaking that will
- 22 enrich the annals of Texas history.

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	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.R. No. 1516 was	adopted by the House on April
12, 2013, by a non-record vote.	
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Chief Clerk of the House