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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The nonprofit U.S. Green Building Council works to  
2 promote sustainability and energy efficiency through green  
3 building practices, and this forward-thinking organization is  
4 represented in the Lone Star State by the Central Texas-Balcones,  
5 Chihuahuan Desert, North Texas, and Texas Gulf Coast Chapters; and

6           WHEREAS, Striking a balance between environmental concerns,  
7 social responsibility, and economic prosperity, green buildings  
8 improve on traditional structures by conserving energy, using water  
9 more efficiently, making greater use of natural light, and  
10 promoting better indoor air quality, thereby contributing to the  
11 health and productivity of the people who live and work in them; and

12           WHEREAS, The Texas chapters of the council advocate use of  
13 the PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) lending tool, which  
14 improves the bottom line for building owners through upgrades in  
15 water and energy efficiency; the chapters are committed as well to  
16 promoting "green schools," in an effort to ensure that the state's  
17 children have as healthy an environment as possible; and

18           WHEREAS, Second only to California, the Lone Star State is  
19 one of the nation's leaders in green building, and the council's  
20 Texas chapters are providing invaluable support to local  
21 governments, nonprofit organizations, and businesses as they work  
22 together to create improved buildings for all; now, therefore, be  
23 it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commend the Central Texas-Balcones, Chihuahuan  
2 Desert, North Texas, and Texas Gulf Coast Chapters of the U.S. Green  
3 Building Council for their advocacy on behalf of green building and  
4 extend to the chapters' members sincere best wishes for continued  
5 success with their important work; and, be it further

6       RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
7 for the chapters as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
8 of Representatives.