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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The City of Gainesville has received a 2013 Gold
Award from the Texas Comptroller Leadership Circle program; and

3 WHEREAS, Initiated in December 2009, the program was created 4 to recognize local governments that are striving to attain 5 financial transparency online; the award spotlights those that open 6 their books to the public, provide a clear picture of spending, and 7 share information in a user-friendly format; and

8 WHEREAS, The City of Gainesville scored 16 out of a possible 9 20 points on the Leadership Circle rating sheet, reflecting the 10 easy access that residents have to information about the city's 11 finances; and

WHEREAS, Keeping taxpayers informed about how public money is spent helps to maintain the high level of trust between citizens and their government that is vital in a free society, and the City of Gainesville truly merits praise for its efforts in that regard; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 18 Legislature hereby congratulate the City of Gainesville on its 19 receipt of a 2013 Gold Leadership Circle Award from the Texas 20 Comptroller's office and extend sincere best wishes to all those 21 associated with the city's online project for continued success 22 with their worthy endeavor; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 24 prepared for the City of Gainesville as an expression of high regard

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1689 was adopted by the House on May 1, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House