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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Mizzen and Main is celebrating its first anniversary 2 in 2013, and this milestone provides a welcome opportunity to honor 3 this Texas-based enterprise; and

WHEREAS, Founded by Kevin Lavelle, Web Smith, and Steven 4 5 DeWitt, Mizzen and Main manufactures American-made, moisture-wicking, wrinkle-free dress shirts as well as other 6 7 garments for men and women; with offices in Dallas and in Columbus, Ohio, the company offers its products online and through local 8 9 boutique retailers; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to making a positive impact through its business operations, Mizzen and Main donates a portion of its sales to benefit wounded veterans and their families; in addition, the company has developed "A Shirt for a Start," an innovative program that provides veterans with paid internships, helping them to gain valuable entrepreneurial experience and industry connections as a means of advancing their careers; and

WHEREAS, Independent businesses that are engaged in their communities play an important role in the prosperity and vitality of the Lone Star State, and Mizzen and Main can take pride in contributing to that tradition; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 22 Legislature hereby congratulate Mizzen and Main on its first 23 anniversary and extend to its founders and staff sincere best 24 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for the company as an expression of high regard by the
3 Texas House of Representatives.