By: Allen H.R. No. 3001

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, LaVonda Russell has demonstrated 2 commitment to public service as financial secretary of the Public Interest Law Association at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at 3 Texas Southern University during the 2012-2013 school year; and 4 5 WHEREAS, The association helps students of the TMSL focus their studies to gain the legal skills necessary to defend 6 individual rights, advance justice, and enhance the public good, 7 and as financial secretary, Ms. Russell collected and deposited 8 9 funds from dues and fund-raising activities, created 10 organizational forms, and maintained the association's financial 11 records; and 12 WHEREAS, The daughter of Rickie Rodgers and Bridgette and Tony Johnson, Ms. Russell is entering her third year at TMSL, where 13 14 she has further distinguished herself as publicity and social chair of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, treasurer of the Sports and 15 Entertainment Law Society, member of the National Black Law 16 Students Association and Delta Sigma Theta sorority, and a student 17 member of the American Bar Association; she is also a participant in 18 the Texas Legislative Internship Program during the 83rd Texas 19 Legislature, serving in the office of Senator Carlos Uresti; and 20 21 WHEREAS, LaVonda Russell's intelligence, dedication, and hard work have greatly benefited the members of the TMSL Public 22 23 Interest Law Association, and as she continues her education, she

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is indeed building a firm foundation for an outstanding legal

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- 1 career; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby commend LaVonda Russell for her service as the
- 4 2012-2013 financial secretary of the TMSL Public Interest Law
- 5 Association and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
- 6 success and a bright future; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for Ms. Russell as an expression of high regard by the
- 9 Texas House of Representatives.