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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas State Alliance of YMCAs are
visiting Austin on February 11, 2015, to celebrate YMCA State
Advocacy Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Representing the interests and concerns of the 27 independent Ys across Texas, the Texas State Alliance of YMCAs works diligently to further the mission of the YMCA, which is to build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities through programs that develop healthy spirits, minds, and bodies; and

WHEREAS, The alliance mobilizes staff, volunteers, 9 and community leaders to advocate on behalf of local Ys; these 10 11 institutions nurture children and promote youth development, 12 healthy living, and social responsibility; at Ys across the state, more than 5,000 employees and nearly 50,000 volunteers serve over 13 14 1.4 million Texans, including more than 638,000 children and teens; moreover, Texas Ys are a major provider of child care, and they give 15 over \$25 million in financial assistance and scholarships; and 16

WHEREAS, Each year, members of the alliance travel to Austin to support the development of strong, caring communities and to encourage the state's leadership to adopt policies that will contribute to the health and well-being of all Texans; it is indeed fitting to recognize this noteworthy organization for its civic engagement and commitment to improving the quality of life throughout the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

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H.R. No. 351 1 Legislature hereby recognize February 11, 2015, as YMCA State 2 Advocacy Day at the Capitol and extend to all those participating 3 sincere best wishes for the future.

> Pickett Villalba Larson

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 351 was adopted by the House on February 11, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House