

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dedicated members of the Grand Prairie Unity  
2 Coalition are gathering on February 19, 2015, for the group's 10th  
3 annual Unity Fund-raiser Banquet; and

4           WHEREAS, GPUC was established by city council member Richard  
5 Fregoe in 2004 with the worthwhile goal of promoting awareness,  
6 inclusiveness, and community spirit; the inaugural membership  
7 included residents from a wide array of backgrounds and  
8 ethnicities, including Native Americans, African Americans,  
9 Hispanics, and individuals of Persian, European, and Vietnamese  
10 ancestry; moreover, it benefited from the perspectives of men and  
11 women who hailed from different religious upbringings and  
12 educational experiences; and

13           WHEREAS, Members of GPUC have promoted cross-cultural  
14 understanding through their participation in many events,  
15 including the Martin Luther King Jr. Day parade and program, the  
16 Cinco de Mayo parade, a Native American pow-wow, and the annual  
17 Juneteenth parade; in addition, the group collaborates with area  
18 businesses and with such organizations as the NAACP and LULAC; as a  
19 result of the coalition's contributions, the city of Grand Prairie  
20 was acknowledged as an Inclusive City by the National League of  
21 Cities in 2006; and

22           WHEREAS, The annual Unity Banquet is the organization's  
23 signature event, and a highlight of the festivities is the  
24 announcement of the student art contest winners; conducted in

1 coordination with the Grand Prairie Arts Council, this year's  
2 competition celebrates the theme "Unity Through Diversity"; and

3 WHEREAS, Through their commitment to furthering acceptance  
4 and diversity, the members of the Grand Prairie Unity Coalition are  
5 helping to build a stronger and more vibrant community, and their  
6 accomplishments are indeed deserving of special recognition; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby honor the Grand Prairie Unity Coalition on the  
10 occasion of its 10th annual Unity Fund-raiser Banquet and extend to  
11 the members of this noteworthy organization sincere best wishes for  
12 continued success with their important work; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for the coalition as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas House of Representatives.

Turner of Tarrant  
Alonzo  
Anderson of Dallas  
Davis of Dallas  
Stickland

H.R. No. 468

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 468 was adopted by the House on March 5, 2015, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House