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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, On March 4, 2015, proud residents, businesspeople,
- 2 and friends of the Richardson community are gathering at the State
- 3 Capitol in Austin for Richardson/Telecom Corridor Legislative Day;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Located just north of Dallas in both Dallas and
- 6 Collin Counties, the city of Richardson is home to more than 100,000
- 7 people and a high concentration of technology and
- 8 telecommunications companies, as well as financial services firms
- 9 and corporate headquarters; it ranks as one of the largest
- 10 employment centers in North Texas and has been recognized as a major
- 11 telecommunications center with global reach; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The collaboration between business and government
- 13 that characterizes the region is due in large part to the committed
- 14 efforts of the Richardson Chamber of Commerce, a five-star
- 15 accredited U.S. Chamber member, the City of Richardson, and their
- 16 joint initiative, the Richardson Economic Development Partnership;
- 17 assistance from the state's Texas Enterprise Fund and Emerging
- 18 Technology Fund has also figured significantly in local economic
- 19 development projects; and
- WHEREAS, Richardson has been among the most successful cities
- 21 in the nation at promoting business development, having attracted
- 22 such internationally renowned companies as State Farm, AT&T,
- 23 Verizon, Samsung Telecommunications America, Fujitsu Network
- 24 Communications, Texas Instruments, MetroPCS, Cisco, Blue Cross

- 1 Blue Shield of Texas, and Fossil; and
- WHEREAS, The exceptional quality of life in Richardson
- 3 contributes to making this community an especially desirable
- 4 location, with highly regarded educational institutions like the
- 5 nearby Malcolm Baldrige award-winning Richland College, more than
- 6 1,100 acres of parkland, and the nationally known Wildflower! arts
- 7 and music festival and Cottonwood Art Festival; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Richardson is home to The University of Texas at
- 9 Dallas, a dynamic public research institution that stands at the
- 10 forefront of scientific, technological, and medical investigation;
- 11 the school's state-of-the-art Natural Science and Engineering
- 12 Research Laboratory and its highly regarded Jonsson School of
- 13 Engineering and Computer Science help UTD to draw and retain an
- 14 exceptional faculty and staff; moreover, the undergraduate and
- 15 graduate business programs at the Naveen Jindal School of
- 16 Management have consistently ranked among the best in the United
- 17 States; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The Richardson Independent School District was one
- 19 of only 26 districts to earn distinction from the Texas Education
- 20 Agency for postsecondary readiness, and it is one of the largest and
- 21 most diverse high-performing districts in Texas; all schools meet
- 22 TEA standards, STAAR passage rates exceed the state's average in
- 23 every subject, and the district employs only teachers rated "Highly
- 24 Qualified" under the No Child Left Behind Act; and
- 25 WHEREAS, The Richardson Chamber of Commerce and the area's
- 26 technology leaders have made Richardson's Telecom Corridor one of
- 27 the showplaces of modern Texas, and Richardson residents can take

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- 1 great pride in their many accomplishments as they look forward to
- 2 the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead; now, therefore, be
- 3 it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby recognize March 4, 2015, as Richardson/Telecom
- 6 Corridor Legislative Day and extend a warm welcome to the area
- 7 business and civic leaders who are visiting the State Capitol on
- 8 this day.

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	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.R. No. 580	was adopted by the House on March 4,
2015, by a non-record vote.	

Chief Clerk of the House