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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 25th anniversary of the signing of the historic
2 Americans with Disabilities Act is being commemorated with a
3 nationwide Legacy Tour, and Texans are joining in on the
4 celebration as the exhibition visits Austin March 1-4, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Launched in Houston in July 2014, this yearlong tour
6 is helping to raise awareness of the landmark civil rights
7 legislation through its Road to Freedom bus, which features a
8 four-panel display on the history of self-advocacy, courtesy of the
9 Museum of disability History, and an information exhibit with
10 literature on both the ADA and the ADA Legacy Project, as well as
11 workshops, artifacts, and other programming provided by local
12 hosts; and

13 WHEREAS, The tour bus will visit numerous locations while in
14 Austin, including Disability Rights Texas, the Jewish Community
15 Center, Stephen F. Austin High School, Pease Elementary School, the
16 Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center, and the Capital MetroRail
17 Crestview Station; on March 3, the project will be on view at the
18 State Capitol and the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum, where
19 special tribute will be paid to Texas Trailblazers--citizens
20 instrumental in the creation, passage, and advancement of the
21 ADA--in the Austin Room; and

22 WHEREAS, An inestimable safeguard of civil rights, the
23 Americans with Disabilities Act has opened the door to opportunity
24 and achievement for millions of people, and the law's profound

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1 impact is indeed deserving of special recognition; now, therefore,
2 be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
4 Legislature hereby honor the Americans with Disabilities Act Legacy
5 Tour and extend best wishes to the project's organizers and
6 sponsors.