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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, For more than a half-century, the International
- 2 Franchise Association has played an important role in protecting,
- 3 enhancing, and promoting franchising worldwide; and
- WHEREAS, Across the United States, franchising has proven to
- 5 be a dynamic method of business development; the majority of
- 6 franchisees nationwide are small firms, although they may include
- 7 some very prominent brands; franchising often benefits groups
- 8 traditionally underrepresented in the business community,
- 9 including veterans, minorities, and women; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Job growth in franchising has outpaced growth in the
- 11 overall economy in recent years; in Texas, franchising makes a
- 12 major impact, accounting for nearly \$62 billion in annual economic
- 13 activity and supporting over 700,000 jobs at more than 66,000
- 14 locations across the state; and
- WHEREAS, Franchising enables individuals to enter freely
- 16 into business relationships that profit from the strength of
- 17 established brands, systems, and support; franchisors continually
- 18 focus on managing and improving systems through brand standards,
- 19 research and development, proactive policies, constructive
- 20 communications, and supportive consultation with their
- 21 franchisees; as a result, franchisees can maximize the return on
- 22 their investments as they create jobs and opportunities at the
- 23 local level; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Through its endeavors in behalf of its member

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- 1 companies, the International Franchise Association is helping to
- 2 enhance the vitality of an important sector of the economy, and it
- 3 is indeed fitting to recognize its contributions to the prosperity
- 4 of the Lone Star State and beyond; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby recognize the International Franchise
- 7 Association for its service to the business community and extend to
- 8 the organization and its members sincere best wishes for continued
- 9 success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.