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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Irish historian Patrick Guinness is visiting the
2 State Capitol on March 23, 2015, and this is a fitting opportunity
3 to pay tribute to this accomplished writer and scholar; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of the Honorable Desmond Guinness, an
5 architecture historian and conservationist, and Princess Henriette
6 Marie-Gabrielle von Urach, Patrick Desmond Carl-Alexander Guinness
7 is descended from the famous Guinness dynasty of brewers on his
8 father's side and from European royalty on his mother's side; he was
9 educated at Winchester College and Trinity College Dublin; and

10 WHEREAS, A lawyer by training and a financial analyst by
11 profession, Mr. Guinness is an expert on Irish history; he is the
12 author of *Arthur's Round: The Life and Times of Brewing Legend*
13 *Arthur Guinness*, a biography of his ancestor who founded the
14 Guinness brewery; he has lectured on genetic genealogy as it
15 pertains to the early history of Ireland, and he has supported
16 academic research on Irish genetics; and

17 WHEREAS, Raised in historic Leixlip Castle, Mr. Guinness has
18 restored his current residence, Furness House, a Georgian country
19 house in County Kildare dating from the 1730s; a member of the
20 County Kildare Archaeological Society and the Order of Clans of
21 Ireland, he also serves as a trustee of the Iveagh Trust and as
22 president of the Irish Georgian Society, which was founded by his
23 parents to help preserve Irish architecture; and

24 WHEREAS, Just as Texans take great pride in the history of the

1 Lone Star State, the people of Ireland are famously proud of their
2 rich and ancient culture, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize
3 Patrick Guinness for his lifelong dedication to the study and
4 preservation of the heritage of his native land; now, therefore, be
5 it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby welcome Patrick Guinness to the State Capitol
8 and extend to him sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable
9 stay in Austin; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Guinness as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.