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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Acclaimed jazz trumpeter and composer Freddie Jones
2 of Dallas has set an inspiring example of giving through the
3 nonprofit Trumpets4Kids; and

4 WHEREAS, Passionate about music from a young age, Freddie
5 Jones began playing trumpet in junior high school and went on to
6 graduate with a bachelor's degree in jazz studies from the
7 University of North Texas; over the course of his career, he has
8 released four studio albums and has toured around the globe, and he
9 delivers the national anthem before Dallas Cowboys home games; and

10 WHEREAS, Long dedicated to giving the gift of music to
11 underprivileged students in the area, this dynamic Texan founded
12 the Carrollton-based Trumpets4Kids in 2007; the organization
13 allows local band directors to nominate aspiring trumpeters to
14 receive a free horn, and Mr. Jones personally interviews each
15 candidate; up to 15 youngsters are selected each year, and they must
16 pledge to practice at least one hour a day, maintain the instrument,
17 and remain in band throughout high school; and

18 WHEREAS, The nonprofit has afforded young musicians the
19 opportunity to play in a variety of settings, including holiday
20 concerts, science fairs, and hospitals, and it annually hosts
21 Trumpet Wars, a music competition in which North Texas students
22 perform in trios, quartets, and other types of ensembles; and

23 WHEREAS, Freddie Jones has greatly enriched the lives of
24 young Texans by helping them pursue a rewarding and educational

1 discipline, and his notable endeavors are indeed deserving of
2 recognition; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
4 Legislature hereby commend Freddie Jones for his many good works in
5 behalf of North Texas students and extend to all those associated
6 with Trumpets4Kids sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
7 further

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