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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Public Policy Foundation is hosting the
2 grand opening of its new headquarters near the State Capitol in
3 Austin on April 21, 2015; and

4 WHEREAS, A \$20 million, six-story facility, the Michael S.
5 Stevens Building is named in honor of a longtime board member who
6 passed away in 2008; Mr. Stevens was instrumental in shaping the
7 debate on tax reform, tort reform, transportation, and other vital
8 issues, and he played a key role in the tremendous growth of the
9 foundation; in 2014, it celebrated a quarter-century of dedication
10 to the mission of promoting liberty, personal responsibility, and
11 free enterprise; and

12 WHEREAS, This splendid edifice provides the organization
13 with state-of-the-art infrastructure, and at approximately 42,000
14 square feet, it encompasses six times more space than the previous
15 offices across the street; its many notable features, named after
16 prominent Texans, include the Joe B. Hogsett Theater, the Red
17 McCombs Event Center, and the Governor Rick Perry Liberty Balcony,
18 which offers magnificent wraparound views of the Capitol and the
19 downtown streetscape; and

20 WHEREAS, Designed to serve as the "epicenter of liberty," the
21 Michael S. Stevens Building is an imposing new landmark on Congress
22 Avenue, and it is truly a pleasure to join in marking this occasion;
23 now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate the Texas Public Policy Foundation
2 on the grand opening of its new headquarters and extend to the
3 organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for TPPF as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
6 of Representatives.