## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Blue Ostrich Winery and Vineyard in Saint Jo has

been selected as one of the 10 Texas Wineries Tucked Away and Worth

3 the Drive by Texas Wine and Trail Magazine; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in the Red River Valley region of North

5 Texas, the Blue Ostrich Winery and Vineyard was once one of the

6 leading ostrich ranches in the Southwest; owners Patrick and Julie

7 Whitehead eventually transitioned the facilities into a winery,

8 tasting room, and offices, and seven of the distinctive birds for

9 which the operation is named still may be found on the property; and

10 WHEREAS, Texas Wine and Trail Magazine chose the Blue Ostrich

for its list not only for its outstanding wines but also because the

12 winery is a unique place off the beaten path, and the owners provide

13 visitors with an enjoyable and informative wine-tasting

14 experience; and

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15 WHEREAS, Locally owned businesses make a welcome

16 contribution to the prosperity and remarkable character of their

17 communities, and the owners and staff of Blue Ostrich Winery and

18 Vineyard may reflect with pride on the reputation for excellence

19 that they have achieved; now, therefore, be it

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

21 Legislature hereby congratulate the Blue Ostrich Winery and

22 Vineyard on its selection as one of the 10 Texas Wineries Tucked

23 Away and Worth the Drive and extend to owners Patrick and Julie

24 Whitehead and all those associated with the winery sincere best

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- 1 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- $3\,\,$  prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead as an expression of high regard
- 4 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2248 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House