By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The city of Dallas has greatly benefited from the

2 dedicated leadership of the Honorable Tennell Atkins, who has ably served his fellow residents as a member of the city council; and 3 WHEREAS, First elected to represent District 8 in June 2007, 4 5 Mr. Atkins is the council's current mayor pro tem; over the course of his tenure in office, he has demonstrated a sustained interest in 6 7 promoting economic renewal and the improvement of city infrastructure; in 2010, he launched the 8 Community Office/Mini-Town Hall Program, an initiative that brings together 9 and citizens of the 10 public officials district to 11 constructively toward the betterment of their neighborhoods; he has 12 also recently contributed to the council as chair of the Economic Development Committee and vice chair of the budget, finance, and 13 transportation committees; and 14 WHEREAS, A graduate of the Cox School of Business at Southern 15 16 Methodist University, Mr. Atkins has accrued many years of professional experience, including service as chief executive 17 officer of A & T Construction and Redbird Development Corporation; 18 in addition to his work on the council, he has been active in a 19 20 number of civic organizations and in the National League of Cities, 21 where he was elected to the organization's board and Economic Development Policy Committee; moreover, he serves as secretary of 22 23 the Texas Association of Black City Council Members and as a trustee 24 for the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Each day, public servants improve the quality of
- 2 life for their fellow citizens in innumerable ways, and Tennell
- 3 Atkins has helped to make Dallas an even better place in which to
- 4 live and work; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby honor Tennell Atkins for his service on the
- 7 Dallas City Council and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
- 8 future; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Mr. Atkins as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 11 House of Representatives.