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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, May 4, 2015, marked a very special day in the lives
2 of Heather Renee' Wells and Richard Lee Wells Jr., for on that day
3 the adoption of their cherished daughter, Rylee Jean Yu Wells, was
4 finalized; and

5 WHEREAS, Native Texans Heather and Richard Wells first met as
6 teenagers; their love and admiration for one another only grew with
7 the passing years, and they exchanged the vows of matrimony on
8 November 28, 1997; seven years into their marriage, they were
9 inspired to adopt a child from China after hearing adoptive parents
10 speak at St. Thomas University in Houston; and

11 WHEREAS, Rylee was born in China on September 5, 2013, and she
12 was officially welcomed into the Wells family home in South Jordan,
13 Utah, after a nearly eight-month adoption process; she has two
14 older sisters, both adopted from China as well, Abigail Mae-Xiao,
15 who is nine, and Kaylyn CiAnna, who is eight; and

16 WHEREAS, Rylee's long-awaited arrival has been a source of
17 great pride for her family and many new friends, particularly for
18 her grandparents, "PopPop" and "Nana," James and Deborah Sloane,
19 and "PawPaw" and "MeMaw," Richard and Carlynn Wells, and for her
20 great-grandmother and namesake, Dorothy Jean Seay, also known as
21 "Mawmaw"; and

22 WHEREAS, With Rylee's adoption, Heather, Richard, Abigail,
23 and Kaylyn Wells have been blessed with a treasured new daughter and
24 sister, whose love and affection will brighten their days

1 forevermore; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate the members of the Wells family on
4 the adoption of Rylee Jean Yu Wells and recognize Rylee as an
5 honorary Texan; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for the family as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.