

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 348

WHEREAS, Irish historian Patrick Guinness is visiting the State Capitol on March 23, 2015, and this is a fitting opportunity to pay tribute to this accomplished writer and scholar; and

WHEREAS, The son of the Honorable Desmond Guinness, an architecture historian and conservationist, and Princess Henriette Marie-Gabrielle von Urach, Patrick Desmond Carl-Alexander Guinness is descended from the famous Guinness dynasty of brewers on his father's side and from European royalty on his mother's side; he was educated at Winchester College and Trinity College Dublin; and

WHEREAS, A lawyer by training and a financial analyst by profession, Mr. Guinness is an expert on Irish history; he is the author of *Arthur's Round: The Life and Times of Brewing Legend Arthur Guinness*, a biography of his ancestor who founded the Guinness brewery; he has lectured on genetic genealogy as it pertains to the early history of Ireland, and he has supported academic research on Irish genetics; and

WHEREAS, Raised in historic Leixlip Castle, Mr. Guinness has restored his current residence, Furness House, a Georgian country house in County Kildare dating from the 1730s; he is a member of the County Kildare Archaeological Society and the Order of Clans of Ireland, and he serves as a trustee of the Iveagh Trust and as president of the Irish Georgian Society, which was founded by his parents to help preserve Irish architecture; and

WHEREAS, Just as Texans take great pride in the history of the Lone Star State, the people of Ireland are famously proud of their rich and ancient culture, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize Patrick Guinness for his lifelong dedication to the study and preservation of the heritage of his native land; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby welcome Patrick Guinness to the State Capitol and extend to him sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable stay in Austin; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Guinness as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 10, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate