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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Association of Authors is a nonprofit 2 organization dedicated to promoting literacy and supporting the 3 work of Texas writers across the state and nation and around the 4 world; and

5 WHEREAS, Since 2011, the Austin-based organization has drawn 6 upon the knowledge and expertise of a diverse group of established 7 authors to help others find success in the field; its membership 8 includes more than 250 writers whose books span over 60 different 9 genres; and

WHEREAS, By collaborating with Drop Everything and Read (DEAR) Texas and other groups, the Texas Association of Authors also supports the Super Readers program, an initiative aimed at encouraging children to read; last year, through the program, more than \$10,000 in members' books were donated to schools, libraries, and other community partners; and

16 WHEREAS, In carrying out its mission of "Bringing Texas 17 Authors to the World," the Texas Association of Authors has 18 provided a valuable service to countless members and readers 19 through its workshops, educational events, and marketing 20 opportunities, and it is indeed fitting to recognize this 21 noteworthy organization; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 23 Legislature hereby honor the Texas Association of Authors and 24 extend to its members sincere best wishes for continued success;

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1 and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for the Texas Association of Authors as an expression of 4 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.