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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of Leadership Gainesville are visiting the
2 State Capitol on February 15, 2017, and this occasion provides a
3 fitting opportunity to honor this esteemed organization and the
4 town it represents; and

5 WHEREAS, Leadership Gainesville was established in 1989 to
6 seek out and train well-informed, civic-minded individuals who are
7 interested in holding voluntary positions of responsibility in the
8 community; sponsored by the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce,
9 which is now over 500 members strong, the group includes members
10 from a variety of backgrounds, as well as persons of different ages;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Among this biennium class are four outstanding high
13 school students, Gabby Brasher, Mary Gerken, Jenny Liu, and Alfredo
14 Moreno; other distinguished members include Leslie Crutsinger, Jon
15 Farr, Rebecca Fonte, Kelsey Hawkins, Jason James, Cabie Lamb, Phil
16 Larson, Misty Links, Sunny Meeks, Kimzie Moss, Marvin Royal, Starla
17 Terry, and Nathan Wood; and

18 WHEREAS, Gainesville has earned a reputation for offering a
19 high quality of life in a small-town setting; designated as a Medal
20 of Honor Host City and named Most Patriotic Small Town in America by
21 *USA Today* and Rand McNally, the community is known for its historic
22 homes, the Morton Museum, the beautifully restored courthouse, and
23 the downtown business district; also recognized for its friendly,
24 welcoming residents, Gainesville has been dubbed "the Front Porch

1 to Texas"; and

2 WHEREAS, Leadership Gainesville is promoting the spirit of
3 volunteerism and hometown pride that are defining characteristics
4 of Gainesville, and by fostering an informed and engaged citizenry,
5 the program is helping to build a brighter and more prosperous
6 future for the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
8 Legislature hereby welcome members of Leadership Gainesville to the
9 State Capitol and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued
10 success; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.