

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Legislative Black Caucus is hosting the  
2 African American Legislative Summit in Austin from February 26 to  
3 28, 2017; and

4           WHEREAS, Founded in 1973, the Texas Legislative Black Caucus  
5 is dedicated to addressing the issues that confront African  
6 Americans across the state; it has grown from an initial group of 8  
7 members to a current membership of 19 legislators, including 17  
8 from the Texas House of Representatives and 2 from the Texas Senate;  
9 in addition to the biennial African American Legislative Summit,  
10 caucus initiatives include the TLBC Scholarship Program benefiting  
11 promising young people; and

12           WHEREAS, The theme for the 2017 summit is "Transforming  
13 Struggle into Progress"; the event encompasses a number of panel  
14 discussions on such topics as health care, education, economic  
15 development, and youth and young adult concerns; and

16           WHEREAS, At the Chair's Award Gala, the caucus is honoring  
17 Roland Parrish, philanthropist and chief executive officer of  
18 Parrish McDonald's Restaurants, which owns some two dozen  
19 franchises in North Texas; the summit also features two  
20 distinguished keynote speakers, both native Texans; Ruth Simmons  
21 will address the Scholarship Banquet, sharing her insights as the  
22 former president of Smith College and Brown University and the  
23 first African American to head an Ivy League institution; the  
24 keynote speaker for the Community Awards Breakfast is Rushion

1 McDonald, the entertainment industry titan best known for shaping  
2 and sustaining performer Steve Harvey's multimedia career; and

3 WHEREAS, The African American Legislative Summit provides an  
4 outstanding opportunity for Texans to meet policy makers, analyze  
5 the challenges of contemporary society, and unite their efforts in  
6 order to build a brighter future for their fellow citizens; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2017 African American  
10 Legislative Summit and extend to all those participating sincere  
11 best wishes for an informative, productive, and enjoyable event.

Giddings

Straus	Goldman	Oliverson
Allen	Gonzales of Williamson	Ortega
Alonzo	González of El Paso	Paddie
Alvarado	Gooden	Parker
Anchia	Guerra	Paul
Anderson of Dallas	Guillen	Perez
Anderson of McLennan	Gutierrez	Phelan
Arévalo	Hefner	Phillips
Ashby	Hernandez	Pickett
Bailes	Herrero	Price
Bell	Hinojosa	Raney
Bernal	Holland	Raymond
Biedermann	Howard	Reynolds
Blanco	Huberty	Rinaldi
Bohac	Hunter	Roberts
Bonnen of Brazoria	Isaac	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Israel	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Burrows	Kacal	Sanford
Button	Keough	Schaefer
Cain	King of Hemphill	Schofield
Canales	King of Parker	Schubert
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Clardy	Klick	Sheffield
Coleman	Koop	Shine
Collier	Krause	Simmons
Cook	Kuempel	Smithee
Cortez	Lambert	Springer
Cosper	Landgraf	Stephenson
Craddick	Lang	Stickland
Cyrier	Larson	Stucky
Dale	Laubenberg	Swanson
Darby	Leach	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Lucio III	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Martinez	Turner
Dukes	Metcalf	Uresti
Dutton	Meyer	VanDeaver
Elkins	Miller	Villalba
Faircloth	Minjarez	Vo
Fallon	Moody	Walle
Farrar	Morrison	White
Flynn	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Frank	Murphy	Workman
Frullo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Neave	Wu
Gervin-Hawkins	Nevárez	Zedler
Giddings	Oliveira	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 668 was adopted by the House on February 27, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House