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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Since its establishment in 1952, the University of 2 Houston College of Optometry has been a leader in education, vision 3 research, and patient care; and

WHEREAS, Today, under the able leadership of Dr. Earl L. Smith III, the UH College of Optometry offers a graduate program with several degree options, as well as a doctorate of optometry, clinical residencies, and a summer career program; the college includes the University Eye Institute, the Molly and Doug Barnes Vision Institute, and the Texas Eye Research and Technology Center; and

11 WHEREAS, The five community clinics operated by the UH 12 College of Optometry are integral to its mission as well; located in Houston, Dallas, and Fort Worth, these facilities administer 13 14 comprehensive eye examinations and diagnose and treat eye disorders at a reduced cost to the public, giving students valuable hands-on 15 16 optometry experience; in addition, the college operates the Mobile 17 Eye Institute, which extends on-site care to patients with limited mobility or reduced access to traditional health care facilities, 18 and it also supplements classroom instruction with innovative 19 research opportunities; moreover, students volunteer hundreds of 20 hours each year to provide services locally and internationally; 21 22 and

23 WHEREAS, For more than six decades, the University of Houston 24 College of Optometry has devoted itself to offering optometric

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education of exceptional quality, and in so doing, it has equipped generations of Texans with the knowledge and skills necessary to build rewarding careers in service to their communities; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 6 Legislature hereby honor the University of Houston College of 7 Optometry and extend to its faculty, staff, and students sincere 8 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for the college as an expression of high regard by the 11 Texas House of Representatives.