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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Travis Miller Griffin Sr., chief of staff in the

2 office of State Representative Dwayne Bohac, is marking 20 years of

3 public service and political engagement in 2017; and

4   WHEREAS, In 1997, Mr. Griffin began his career as assistant

5 to the president of The University of Texas at Austin; he was hired

6 as finance coordinator for the Republican Party of Texas the

7 following year; subsequently, he served on the successful Texas

8 Senate campaign of Todd Staples, and during the 77th Legislative

9 Session, he was constituent liaison for Senator Staples; he then

10 served the Republican Party of Texas as regional field director and

11 helped launch the 2002 Texas Victory Effort that sent the first

12 Republican majority to the Texas House since 1872; for the 78th

13 Legislative Session, he served as legislative director for

14 Representative Bohac, and he then guided his campaign in the next

15 election cycle; and

16   WHEREAS, Mr. Griffin traveled to Missouri in 2004 as a field

17 representative for George W. Bush's presidential campaign and

18 implemented a highly effective voter turnout plan; the next year,

19 he returned to the office of Representative Bohac as chief of staff,

20 and after the legislative session, he joined Texans for Rick Perry

21 as statewide field director; he established the Perry Alliance

22 Network, a groundbreaking social media community, and organized a

23 political phone bank of record-setting size; after serving on

24 Governor Perry's 2007 Texas Inaugural Committee, he was hired as

1 his deputy director of community affairs; and

2   WHEREAS, During the 2008 election, Mr. Griffin was director
3 of the Stars Over Texas political action committee, which worked
4 for the Republican majority in the Texas House; he later continued
5 to support that mission by creating his own PAC, the Texas
6 Republican House Committee, which effectively promoted grassroots
7 engagement through such events as the Hands Off Texas rallies, and
8 in 2010, he became political director of the Republican Party of
9 Texas; after his successful tenure on the board of the Ronald Reagan
10 Memorial Highway Fund, he and his wife, Jennifer, worked together
11 in behalf of the Romney-Ryan presidential ticket as political
12 account executives at FLS Connect; and

13   WHEREAS, Mr. Griffin followed in his father's footsteps in
14 2013 by relaunching Griffin and Associates, a political and public
15 relations consulting company; the firm ran the first campaign for
16 George P. Bush, who was elected land commissioner with the highest
17 percentage of votes won by any Texas candidate for statewide office
18 in 2014; that year, Mr. Griffin was also elected chair for Travis
19 County Precinct 354; and

20   WHEREAS, Returning to the legislative environment in 2015,
21 Mr. Griffin became executive director of the Innovation and
22 Technology Caucus of the Texas House chaired by Representative
23 Bohac, and he resumed his previous role as chief of staff for
24 Representative Bohac; and

25   WHEREAS, Mr. Griffin is devoted to his family and faith; he is
26 the proud father of two children, Travis Miller Jr. and Madison, and
27 he is a valued member of Leander United Methodist Church; and

1 WHEREAS, Widely admired for his integrity, expertise,

2 creativity, and formidable work ethic, Travis Griffin has

3 demonstrated a deep, enduring commitment to good government and the

4 electoral process, and he may take justifiable pride in his

5 outstanding contributions to the Lone Star State; now, therefore,

6 be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

8 Legislature hereby honor Travis Miller Griffin Sr. for two decades

9 of public service and political engagement and extend to him

10 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

12 prepared for Mr. Griffin as an expression of high regard by the

13 Texas House of Representatives.