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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The Apartment Association of Tarrant County celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2018; and

WHEREAS, AATC is a nonprofit trade association dedicated to supporting the interests of the owners, managers, developers, and suppliers of apartment homes in a nine-county region of north central Texas; and

WHEREAS, Organized in Fort Worth in August 1967, the association held its first official business meeting in January 1968, and it was officially incorporated two years later; since 1988, its offices have been situated in Richland Hills; and

WHEREAS, Over the past five decades, AATC has grown to include more than 1,700 members who provide management and related services to residents of over 200,000 apartment homes; the group encompasses 890 apartment communities, 220 companies, 400 suppliers, and 200 independent landlords who own or manage some 5,500 houses and duplexes; moreover, AATC members contribute more than $3.7 billion and 40,000 jobs to the economy of the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, The organization works closely with the Texas Apartment Association and the National Apartment Association in advocating for its members at the local, county, and state levels; since 2000, AATC's annual Charity Bowling Tournament has contributed more than $200,000 to the Union Gospel Mission in Fort Worth, and it regularly hosts a trade show, a state of the industry luncheon, a golf tournament, and a Christmas toy drive; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of its current executive director, John Mitchell, AATC continues to advance the interests of this dynamic and diverse industry, and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing the group on this special milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Apartment Association of Tarrant County and extend to its members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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