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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Khalid Donnel Robinson has earned great distinction
2 for himself and his hometown of El Paso with his extraordinary
3 success as a singer and songwriter; and

4 WHEREAS, Born into a military family, Khalid grew up in
5 Germany, New York, and Texas; while still attending Americas High
6 School in El Paso, he began producing his own music and posting
7 songs to SoundCloud; in 2016, his debut single, "Location," became
8 a charting hit, and the music video, which was filmed in and around
9 El Paso, has received more than 316 million views on YouTube; and

10 WHEREAS, The following year, Khalid released his first album,
11 *American Teen*, which includes such songs as "Young Dumb & Broke,"
12 "Let's Go," and "Coaster," as well as the first song he ever wrote,
13 "Saved"; designed to evoke a day in the life of an average teenager
14 at high school, the album has gone platinum and earned rave reviews
15 from the *New York Times*, *Time* magazine, *Billboard*, and *NYLON*; and

16 WHEREAS, This dynamic young R&B artist has performed on *The*
17 *Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*, *The Late Show with Stephen*
18 *Colbert*, *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*, *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, and *The*
19 *Today Show*; he won MTV's Woodie to Watch Award at the SXSW music
20 conference in Austin, and his first tour as a headliner sold out
21 every date in the United States and Europe; and

22 WHEREAS, Only 20 years old, Khalid has already been nominated
23 for five Grammy Awards, and he has won an MTV Video Music Award for
24 Best New Artist, a Billboard Music Award for Top New Artist, a BMI

1 Pop Award for "1-800-273-8255," and a Teen Choice Award for Choice
2 R&B/Hip-Hop Artist; in addition, he was named Favorite Soul/R&B
3 Male Artist at the 2018 American Music Awards; and

4 WHEREAS, A defining voice for a new generation, Khalid has
5 made a remarkable debut, winning fans all over the world, and his
6 talent, charm, and discipline promise to take him to even greater
7 heights; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Khalid Donnel Robinson on a
10 successful career in the music industry and extend to him sincere
11 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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