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H.R. No. 392

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Proud representatives of four major metropolitan  
2 LGBT chambers of commerce are gathering in Austin for the first  
3 Texas LGBT Chambers of Commerce Advocacy Day at the State Capitol on  
4 February 20, 2019; and

5           WHEREAS, These organizations include the Austin LGBT Chamber  
6 of Commerce, the Greater Houston LGBT Chamber of Commerce, the  
7 North Texas GLBT Chamber of Commerce, and the San Antonio LGBT  
8 Chamber of Commerce, and they have joined together to form a  
9 statewide coalition of more than 1,000 LGBT-owned and allied  
10 businesses; the cities the chambers represent account for nearly 19  
11 million Texans, which is roughly two-thirds of the state's  
12 population; and

13           WHEREAS, Having originally joined forces to combat  
14 discrimination and promote inclusion, the chambers are also  
15 pursuing a legislative agenda that includes support for economic  
16 development and the promotion of tourism, for increased funding for  
17 prekindergarten and early childhood education, for maintaining  
18 local control of property tax decisions, and for changes in the  
19 state's health care system and in its public safety and  
20 transportation policies; and

21           WHEREAS, By bringing their collective voices together in  
22 behalf of the LGBT business community in the Lone Star State, these  
23 chambers of commerce have jointly become a powerful advocate for  
24 the dignity and prosperity of all Texans; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby recognize February 20, 2019, as Texas LGBT  
3 Chambers of Commerce Advocacy Day at the State Capitol and extend to  
4 the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for a meaningful and  
5 memorable stay in Austin.