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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Shallie Monroe Bey Jr. of Fort Worth made history by 2 becoming the first African American and the youngest individual to serve as superintendent of the United States Mint in Philadelphia, 3 4 Pennsylvania; and 5 WHEREAS, Born on March 26, 1949, in Gary, Indiana, Mr. Bey studied electrical engineering and earned a bachelor's degree from 6 7 Purdue University in 1971 and a master of business administration degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1977; from 1971 to 8

9 1973, he worked as an engineer for the Sun Oil Company in Toledo, 10 Ohio, before joining a Sun Oil subsidiary, the Alliance Enterprise

11 Corporation in Philadelphia, which he went on to lead as president

12 and director; in 1977, he became planning coordinator for the Sun

13 Oil location in Radnor, Pennsylvania, and was tasked with

14 overseeing the operations of six subsidiaries; he has also served

15 as a resident engineer for the Minority Introduction to Engineering

16 Program at Purdue, where he was named a Distinguished Engineering

17 Alumnus in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bey was nominated for the prestigious position of superintendent of the U.S. Mint in Philadelphia by President Jimmy Carter and confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 1976, and he held the office until 1980; in that role, he was responsible for the operation of the largest mint in the country; in addition, he served as the industrial representative to the Office of Minority Affairs

24 and the Department of State; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman's myriad accomplishments
- 2 have also included serving as the keynote speaker for a 1981 Black
- 3 History Month luncheon held by the Washington Chapter of the
- 4 Association for the Study of African American Life and History;
- 5 Mr. Bey is a dedicated member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.,
- 6 CityEquity, USA, Inc., and the New Mount Rose Missionary Baptist
- 7 Church in Fort Worth, where he has volunteered his time as a
- 8 business and life skills coach; in commemoration of Black History
- 9 Month, he was recently recognized by his church with a 2019 Stone of
- 10 Hope Award; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Shallie Bey has distinguished himself through his
- 12 contributions to his profession, his community, and his fellow
- 13 Americans, and the lifelong achievements of this remarkable
- 14 individual are a source of inspiration to many; now, therefore, be
- 15 it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby honor Shallie Monroe Bey Jr., the first African
- 18 American and the youngest ever superintendent of the U.S. Mint in
- 19 Philadelphia, and extend to him sincere gratitude for his public
- 20 service; and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for Mr. Bey as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 23 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 544 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House