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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of Houston area chapters of Omega Psi Phi
2 Fraternity, Inc., are visiting the State Capitol on March 25, 2019,
3 and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to honor the
4 organization for its record of leadership and service; and

5 WHEREAS, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was established by three
6 students on the campus of Howard University in 1911; today, the
7 fraternity encompasses more than 700 undergraduate, graduate, and
8 alumni chapters across the United States and around the world, all
9 of which are committed to the mission of building a strong and
10 effective force of men who strive for academic excellence and who
11 wish to use their resources for the betterment of society; and

12 WHEREAS, The fraternity's members work toward the greater
13 good by promoting education, encouraging voter registration,
14 fighting illiteracy, volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, and
15 participating in numerous other mentoring and fund-raising
16 activities; since 1945, Omega Psi Phi has administered a National
17 Social Action Program to help address the needs of African
18 Americans in the areas of health, housing, civil rights, and
19 education; and

20 WHEREAS, The Ninth District of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was
21 ratified in 1923, expanding the fraternity in the areas of Texas,
22 Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and California; the Houston Area
23 Coalition of Chapters continues to carry on the traditions of Omega
24 Psi Phi by mobilizing local chapter members to be agents of positive

1 change in their community; and

2 WHEREAS, The men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity have
3 distinguished themselves through their countless good works, and
4 they are to be commended for their dedication to the principles that
5 have guided this outstanding organization for more than a century;
6 now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
8 Legislature hereby recognize the members of the Houston Area
9 Coalition of Chapters of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., on the
10 occasion of their visit to the State Capitol and extend to them
11 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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