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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Richard Mithoff of Houston was named the recipient 2 of the 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Texas Law Alumni

3 Association; and

WHEREAS, A member of The University of Texas School of Law 4 5 Class of 1971, Richard Mithoff is consistently ranked among the top trial lawyers in the country; his diverse client list has ranged 6 from the Texas Heart Institute to Willie Nelson to the family of 7 police-shooting victim Pedro Oregon; over the years, he has 8 represented BP shareholders in the Deepwater Horizon oil spill 9 litigation and Harris County in the tobacco and Volkswagen matters, 10 11 among other high-profile cases; he has served his profession as a 12 member of the Supreme Court of Texas Committee on Judicial Appointments and the State Bar of Texas Committee on Pattern Jury 13 14 Charges and as special assistant disciplinary counsel to the Texas

Commission for Lawyer Discipline; and 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Mithoff assisted in the establishment of the Joe 16 Jamail Endowment for Legal Services for Veterans through Texas 17 Access to Justice; a trustee of the UT Texas Law School Foundation, 18 he has endowed a series of scholarships at his alma mater, and he 19 20 and his wife, Ginni, are major benefactors of the UT Law School 21 Foundation and the Richard and Ginni Mithoff Pro Bono Program; the couple also donated \$10 million to the Harris County Hospital 22 District Foundation for the creation of the Children's Health Fund, 23 and with their son, Michael, and his wife, Melissa, they 24

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- 1 spearheaded the \$35 million capital campaign for the Children's
- 2 Museum of Houston; in addition, Mr. and Mrs. Mithoff have given
- 3 generously of their time and resources to UTHealth, Family Services
- 4 of Greater Houston, the Houston Chronicle's Goodfellows Program,
- 5 and many other worthy causes; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Widely admired for both his professional
- 7 accomplishments and his philanthropic endeavors, Richard Mithoff
- 8 has been the recipient of myriad accolades, and he is richly
- 9 deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Richard Mithoff on his receipt of
- 12 the 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Texas Law Alumni
- 13 Association and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future;
- 14 and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for Mr. Mithoff as an expression of high regard by the
- 17 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 991 was adopted by the House on April 12, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House