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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The members of the Texas Travel Industry Association
2 are dedicated to promoting tourism as an economic powerhouse; and

3 WHEREAS, The state's second-largest export industry, tourism
4 employs over 1.2 million Texans, from high school students to
5 experienced professionals; in 2018 alone, travel and tourism had a
6 \$164 billion impact on the Texas economy; and

7 WHEREAS, Travel spending in Texas generated \$4.5 billion in
8 state tax revenues in 2018, as well as \$3 billion in local tax
9 revenues during the same period; each year, tax revenues generated
10 by the industry save the state's families an estimated \$740
11 annually on their tax bills; and

12 WHEREAS, Direct contributors to the travel industry include a
13 wide range of businesses, among them airlines and airports,
14 restaurants, hotels, attractions, leisure destinations, sports
15 teams, concert venues, zoos, aquariums, waterparks, RV parks, and
16 summer camps; indirect contributors include grocery stores, gas
17 stations, retail stores, and small businesses; and

18 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the advancement of tourism, the Texas
19 Travel Industry Association represents and advocates for the
20 interests of a diverse membership that includes travel
21 destinations, accommodations, attractions, and transportation and
22 support businesses; in addition, the organization offers
23 networking opportunities as well as marketing and educational
24 programs; and

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1 WHEREAS, The state's vibrant tourism sector fosters economic
2 prosperity while enhancing the image of Texas around the world, and
3 through its tireless efforts, the TTIA is furthering the positive
4 effects of this important industry; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the Texas Travel Industry Association for
7 its contributions and extend to its members sincere best wishes for
8 continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.