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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, From February 13-17, 2021, a historic winter storm 2 swept across the state and brought significant snowfall, freezing 3 rain, and sustained, below-freezing temperatures to the Central 4 Texas area; and

WHEREAS, The winter conditions resulted in blackouts that 5 impacted nearly 200,000 Austin Energy homes and more throughout the 6 7 Travis County area, forcing many Texans to contend with freezing 8 weather without heat or electricity; as ice accumulated on 9 roadways, some area residents were unable to obtain food or make trips for other essential items, and the record-low temperatures 10 11 also led to frozen or burst pipes that left many without running 12 water; and

WHEREAS, During this unprecedented event, leaders and citizens of Central Texas stepped up to provide food, water, and other resources to community members in need; many of them were experiencing their own hardships at this time, and some braved dangerous road conditions in order to reach and render aid to their vulnerable neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Among those who distinguished themselves in the midst of this crisis was Lahoma Dade, who organized the distribution of hundreds of hot meals for Austin residents in need; and

23 WHEREAS, Winter Storm Uri was a natural disaster of historic 24 magnitude for our state, and Central Texans are profoundly grateful

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1 for the caring individuals who went above and beyond during this 2 challenging time for their community; now, therefore, be it

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3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 4 Legislature hereby honor Lahoma Dade for providing vital help to 5 her neighbors during Winter Storm Uri and extend to her sincere 6 appreciation for her hard work and selfless service; and, be it 7 further

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

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