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H.R. No. 738

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In February 2021, citizens across Texas experienced
2 the devastating effects of Winter Storm Uri, and in House District
3 26, Jim McIngvale and his team at Gallery Furniture played an
4 important role in helping the community respond to this
5 unprecedented emergency; and

6 WHEREAS, Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale is the owner of
7 Gallery Furniture, which has several locations in the Houston area,
8 and he previously opened his stores to the community in the
9 aftermath of Hurricane Harvey in 2017; and

10 WHEREAS, After the 2021 winter storm struck, leaving many
11 Houstonians without power or heat, Mr. McIngvale and his staff
12 opened two of the Gallery Furniture showrooms as places of safety
13 and warmth for those seeking refuge; the company's hardworking and
14 compassionate employees provided food and water to their guests,
15 many of whom spent the night sleeping on the store's mattresses and
16 sofas; the stores also made accommodations for those with special
17 needs, including children, senior citizens, and individuals with
18 medical complications; and

19 WHEREAS, Demonstrating exceptional initiative and
20 perseverance during a time of crisis, Mr. McIngvale and his staff
21 dedicated time and resources to help those in need, and they are
22 indeed deserving of special recognition for their efforts; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby honor Jim McIngvale and the employees of Gallery
2 Furniture for their outstanding service during Winter Storm Uri and
3 commend them on a job well done; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Gallery Furniture as an expression of high regard by
6 the Texas House of Representatives.