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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of the Texas chapters of 100 Black Men of  
2 America are gathering for 100 Day at the State Capitol in Austin on  
3 April 22, 2021, and their visit offers a fitting opportunity to  
4 celebrate the work being done by this outstanding organization; and

5           WHEREAS, 100 Black Men of America was founded in New York City  
6 in 1963, when a group of visionary leaders in business, politics,  
7 and other fields came together to explore ways of improving the  
8 quality of life in the African American community; today, the  
9 organization numbers more than 105 chapters and over 10,000 members  
10 nationwide; guided by the motto "What They See Is What They'll Be,"  
11 these accomplished individuals are presently enhancing the  
12 educational and economic opportunities available to more than  
13 125,000 minority youth; and

14           WHEREAS, Based upon the four pillars of mentoring, education,  
15 health and wellness, and economic development, the organization's  
16 programs seek to address the emotional and cultural needs of  
17 African American children, to provide volunteer support to schools  
18 and educators, to advocate in behalf of equal access to education,  
19 to promote physical fitness and healthy eating habits, and to  
20 empower African American individuals and enterprises through  
21 training in financial literacy and networking; and

22           WHEREAS, Contributing to the advancement of this vital  
23 mission are the members of 100 Black Men of America who are active  
24 in the organization's Texas chapters, which represent Austin,

1 Greater Beaumont, Greater Dallas/Fort Worth, Metropolitan Houston,  
2 San Antonio, and West Texas; and

3 WHEREAS, For nearly six decades, the members of 100 Black Men  
4 of America have helped to set countless young people on the path to  
5 a brighter future, and they are indeed deserving of commendation  
6 for their myriad good works; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby honor 100 Black Men of America for its long  
9 history of service to African American youth and extend to the  
10 visiting Texas members sincere best wishes for a meaningful and  
11 memorable stay in Austin; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
13 for the Texas chapters as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
14 House of Representatives.