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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, James Joe Joseph has received a 2021 Outstanding

Texan Award from the Texas Legislative Black Caucus; and

3 WHEREAS, A resident of Houston's historic Fifth Ward

4 neighborhood, James Joseph graduated with a degree in public

affairs from Texas Southern University; he is the owner of a

6 consulting firm, Houston Urban Consulting, and a nonprofit

7 organization, Neighborhood Enrichment Xchange; he has served as a

8 mentor and a motivational speaker to young people, and he has

9 further given back to the community as a club president for Blocks

10 Organizing Neighborhood Defense and as vice president of Houston

11 Super Neighborhood 55, which represents some 27,000 residents in

12 Northeast Houston; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Joseph has also contributed to his community

through his role as associate pastor at Lyons Unity Missionary

15 Baptist Church, where he has dedicated himself to mentoring young

16 men and providing them with the encouragement that they need to

17 become successful and upstanding citizens; committed to the

18 church's mission to fight hunger, he manages a food drive

19 initiative that annually distributes millions of meals to those

20 less fortunate; beyond his leadership role at his church, he has

21 been involved in the NAACP Houston Branch and he is a respected

22 member of his Masonic fraternity; and

23 WHEREAS, Through his many deeds and actions, James Joseph has

24 set a commendable example for his fellow citizens, and it is a

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- 1 privilege to join in recognizing an individual who has long been a
- 2 force for good in his community; now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby congratulate James Joe Joseph on his receipt of
- 5 a 2021 Outstanding Texan Award from the Texas Legislative Black
- 6 Caucus and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be
- 7 it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for Mr. Joseph as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 10 House of Representatives.