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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Somos Tejas, a nonprofit organization based in 2 Dallas's Oak Cliff neighborhood, has demonstrated an admirable 3 commitment to serving the community during the COVID-19 pandemic; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, Founded by organizer and activist Ramiro Luna, Somos 6 Tejas seeks to mobilize Latin American residents to exercise their 7 right to vote and make their voices heard in the democratic process; 8 the goal of the organization is to transform the culture around 9 civic participation and to inspire Latin American citizens to take 10 a proactive role in addressing the issues that affect their 11 families and communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Somos Tejas has been an outstanding resource to area 13 residents throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; in addition to 14 providing items such as face masks and hand sanitizer, the organization has disseminated important information about COVID-19 15 16 safety measures and vaccine eligibility; in addition, it has continued to carry out its work to promote Latin American 17 representation by encouraging participation in the 2020 Census and 18 keeping residents up to date about elections and city meetings; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Somos Tejas has performed vital work to mitigate the 21 impact of a public health crisis that has created many hardships for 22 the community, and all those involved with the organization may 23 take great pride in their significant contributions; now, 24 therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 2 Legislature hereby honor Somos Tejas for its service to the Oak 3 Cliff area during the COVID-19 pandemic and extend to the 4 organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for Somos Tejas as an expression of high regard by the 7 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2097 was adopted by the House on May 31, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House