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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Eric Scott Turner was sworn in as the 19th United
- 2 States secretary of housing and urban development on February 5,
- 3 2025; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Scott Turner previously served under President
- 5 Donald J. Trump as executive director of the White House
- 6 Opportunity and Revitalization Council; in that role, he led the
- 7 Opportunity Zones Initiative, spearheading more than 200 policy
- 8 actions to uplift economically distressed communities by
- 9 encouraging investment in affordable housing and new businesses;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, A fourth-generation Texan, Secretary Turner grew up
- 12 in Richardson; this distinguished public servant and businessman in
- 13 2021 founded the Community Engagement & Opportunity Council, a
- 14 nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening communities
- 15 through mentorship, sports, and economic opportunity; his prior
- 16 experience also includes tenures as a housing development executive
- 17 at JPI, as the Texas state representative for House District 33, and
- 18 as an associate pastor at Prestonwood Baptist Church; moreover, he
- 19 played nine seasons in the National Football League; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Secretary Turner holds a degree in speech
- 21 communications from the University of Illinois and an honorary
- 22 doctorate from Dallas Baptist University; in all his endeavors, he
- 23 enjoys the love and support of his wife, Robin, and their son,
- 24 Solomon; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Scott Turner has risen to national prominence as a
- 2 policymaker and a strong advocate for community revitalization, and
- 3 the experience he has acquired along the way is certain to serve him
- 4 well in this important cabinet position; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby honor Eric Scott Turner on the occasion of his
- 7 appointment as the 19th United States secretary of housing and
- 8 urban development and extend to him sincere best wishes for a
- 9 successful tenure; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Secretary Turner as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.