

R E S O L U T I O N

1        WHEREAS, Cincinnati Bengals linebacker Dhani Jones has  
2 distinguished himself through his accomplishments on the gridiron  
3 and also as an entrepreneur and entertainer who supports a number of  
4 notable philanthropic efforts; and

5        WHEREAS, Born on February 22, 1978, in Potomac, Maryland,  
6 Dhani Makalani Jones had a stellar collegiate career at the  
7 University of Michigan; he was named to the all Big 10 team three  
8 times and was an integral part of the Wolverines  
9 national-title-winning team of 1997; and

10       WHEREAS, Chosen by the New York Giants in the sixth round of  
11 the 2000 National Football League Draft, he spent three seasons  
12 with the team before being signed as a free agent by the  
13 Philadelphia Eagles; in his first year in Philadelphia, he helped  
14 the Eagles win the 2004 NFC Championship and reach Super Bowl XXXIX;  
15 he joined the Bengals in 2007 and just completed his fourth season  
16 as their middle linebacker; and

17       WHEREAS, Apart from his football career, Mr. Jones stars in  
18 the Travel Channel series *Dhani Tackles the Globe*, in which he  
19 visits people of different lands to learn about and participate in  
20 the sports most central to their cultures; in addition, he has  
21 appeared on *Man v. Food* and enjoys a number of artistic endeavors,  
22 including photography, poetry, and music; and

23       WHEREAS, Mr. Jones frequently uses his celebrity to support  
24 causes he believes in; he helped create and appeared in public

1 service announcements for the Climate Project, and he was a guest  
2 and media correspondent during the 2007 Live Earth Concert; in  
3 addition, he is currently involved in 350.org, which also addresses  
4 the issue of climate change; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2007, this dedicated activist visited Africa to  
6 bring attention to the effects of environmental neglect by  
7 industrialized countries; moreover, he was featured in two public  
8 service announcements for the United Nations World Food Programme  
9 and currently serves on the entertainment council for the Feeding  
10 America organization; and

11 WHEREAS, Long known for wearing bow ties, Mr. Jones created  
12 his own brand, Five Star Ties, in 2005; more recently, he has turned  
13 his sartorial signature into a charity, starting Bow Ties for a  
14 Cause, which creates and sells the bow ties he designs in order to  
15 raise funds and awareness for nonprofit organizations; and

16 WHEREAS, A man of diverse interests and talents, Dhani Jones  
17 devotes himself to advancing worthwhile initiatives while also  
18 excelling as an athlete and television personality, and his many  
19 fans in the Lone Star State will be closely following his progress  
20 in the years ahead; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
22 Legislature hereby honor Dhani Jones for his NFL and media careers  
23 and his efforts to help others and extend to him sincere best wishes  
24 for continued success; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for Mr. Jones as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
3 House of Representatives.

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Aliseda	Gonzalez	Munoz, Jr.
Allen	Gooden	Murphy
Alonzo	Guillen	Naishstat
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Nash
Anchia	Hamilton	Oliveira
Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
Berman	Hartnett	Paxton
Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
Cain	Hughes	Raymond
Callegari	Hunter	Reynolds
Carter	Isaac	Riddle
Castro	Jackson	Ritter
Chisum	Johnson	Rodriguez
Christian	Keffer	Schwertner
Coleman	King of Parker	Scott
Cook	King of Taylor	Sheets
Craddick	King of Zavala	Sheffield
Creighton	Kleinschmidt	Shelton
Crownover	Kolkhorst	Simpson
Darby	Kuempel	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Landtroop	Smith of Tarrant
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S. Davis of Harris	Laubenberg	Solomons
Deshotel	Lavender	Strama
Driver	Legler	Taylor of Collin
Dukes	Lewis	Taylor of Galveston
Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
Eiland	Lucio III	Torres
Eissler	Lyne	Truitt
Elkins	Madden	Turner
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Margo	Villarreal
Fletcher	Marquez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez	Walle
Frullo	Martinez Fischer	Weber
Gallego	McClendon	White
Garza	Menendez	Woolley
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Giddings	Miller of Comal	Zedler
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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 676 was adopted by the House on March 3, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House