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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Each January, residents of Arlington gather to pay
2 tribute to the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
3 at the city's Advancing the Dream celebration; and

4 WHEREAS, Coordinated by the Arlington Martin Luther King, Jr.
5 Celebration Committee, the four-day-long event is one of the
6 largest celebrations of its kind in the State of Texas; for more
7 than 30 years, it has brought together area residents to reflect on
8 the enduring influence of America's foremost civil rights icon,
9 while affirming their commitment to carrying forward his legacy by
10 creating lasting change in their community; and

11 WHEREAS, The event features a presentation of scholarships to
12 essay and art contest winners, as well as a step show that includes
13 drum lines from local school marching bands, spoken word
14 performances, and an ecumenical service; on the final day,
15 attendees are encouraged to participate in the MLK Day of Service by
16 taking part in volunteer projects; and

17 WHEREAS, Since its inception, the Advancing the Dream
18 celebration has provided Arlington residents with the opportunity
19 to memorialize Dr. King and to rededicate themselves to the ideals
20 of peace, freedom, and equality that he championed; now, therefore,
21 be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
23 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commemorate Arlington's
24 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Advancing the Dream celebration and

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1 extend to the organizers and participants sincere best wishes for a
2 meaningful and memorable event; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for the Arlington Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
5 Committee as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
6 Representatives.