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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The year 2021 marks the 75th anniversary of Lubbock 2 Area United Way, an organization devoted to meeting the health, safety, educational, and financial needs of local residents; and 3 WHEREAS, Established on August 28, 1946, as the Lubbock 4 5 Community Chest, this noteworthy nonprofit has since become a United Way affiliate that serves more than 110,000 individuals in 6 7 the South Plains region; through partnerships with local organizations and coalitions, Lubbock Area United Way works toward 8 9 a variety of crucial goals, such as promoting childhood literacy, providing access to mental health services, and eliminating child 10 11 abuse and sex trafficking; and 12 WHEREAS, With its many outstanding initiatives, Lubbock Area United Way empowers people to give back to their community both as 13 14 volunteers and donors; its 2019 campaign raised almost \$6 million from individual supporters, corporations, and events such as the 15 16 LIVE UNITED Golf Tournament; moreover, the organization benefits area youth with the United WE READ program and the Go Blue Lubbock 17 event; United Way has also played a vital role in relief efforts in 18 response to the 1970 Lubbock tornado and the COVID-19 pandemic; and 19 WHEREAS, Among its accolades, United Way was named the 2019 20 21 Outstanding Volunteer Organization by the Lubbock Area Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals; that same year, First 22 23 Book granted more than \$17,000 to United Way as part of its OMG Books Awards, and these funds were used to distribute books to local 24

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- 1 schools; and
- WHEREAS, For three-quarters of a century, Lubbock Area United
- 3 Way has endeavored to improve the quality of life in Lubbock and
- 4 beyond, and the organization is indeed deserving of recognition on
- 5 this important milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby commemorate the 75th anniversary of Lubbock Area
- 8 United Way and extend to all those associated with the organization
- 9 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Lubbock Area United Way as an expression of high regard
- 12 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 988 was adopted by the House on May 8, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House