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H.R. No. 1673

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 75th annual Dogie Days event, sponsored solely
2 by the Dumas Noon Lions Club, is being held June 9 to 12, 2021, and
3 this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to recognize this
4 noteworthy organization; and

5 WHEREAS, Considered the oldest civic club in Moore County,
6 the Dumas Noon Lions Club held its inaugural meeting on August 27,
7 1930; the group's membership grew from 23 members to well over 200,
8 and by 2015, it ranked as the fifth-largest Lions Club in the world;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, The Lions Club has hosted Dogie Days since 1946,
11 when it took charge of the Old Settler's Reunion and Rodeo, a
12 long-running local event; the organization gave the festival a new
13 name and turned it into a wildly popular yearly celebration; with a
14 town-wide barbecue as its centerpiece, Dogie Days has drawn as many
15 as 10,000 revelers, who also enjoy parades, raffles, and carnival
16 rides; pronounced "dough-gie," the term "dogie" refers to a
17 motherless calf, as in the cowboy phrase "get along, little dogie";
18 and

19 WHEREAS, A highly effective fundraiser, Dogie Days supports
20 the club's well-known campaign to provide optical examinations and
21 eyeglasses to those in need, as well as such initiatives as Texas
22 Lions Camp, Lions Christmas Sharing, and Lions Club scholarships;
23 the proceeds also allow the Lions to contribute to a wide variety of
24 charitable causes, among them the Dumas Education Foundation, Dumas

1 Meals on Wheels, and the Moore County Food Pantry; in 2018, the
2 Lions Club netted more than \$117,000 in proceeds for charity, and
3 approximately 6,000 people, roughly half the population of Dumas,
4 were fed at the town barbecue; and

5 WHEREAS, Dogie Days is a highlight of the community's
6 calendar, bringing citizens together for fun and entertainment
7 while promoting the many good works of its sponsor; now, therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
10 Legislature hereby commemorate 2021 Dogie Days and commend the
11 members of the Dumas Noon Lions Club for their dedicated efforts;
12 and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the Dumas Noon Lions Club as an expression of high
15 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.