By: Troxclair H.R. No. 174

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce 2 are visiting the Texas Capitol on February 8, 2023, providing a welcome opportunity to pay tribute to this outstanding organization 3 and the city it serves; and 4 5 WHEREAS, The seat of Kendall County, Boerne is located on Cibolo Creek, 30 miles northwest of San Antonio; in 1849, a group of 6 7 German colonists from Bettina camped on the north side of the creek; they called their new community Tusculum after Cicero's home in 8 9 ancient Rome, but in 1852, Gustav Theissen and John James laid out

10 the townsite and changed the name to Boerne in honor of Ludwig

11 Boerne, a German author; the town became well known as a health

12 resort in the late 1800s, and cotton, wool, grain, and lumber were

13 also important to its early economy; and

14 WHEREAS, Boerne was incorporated in 1909, the same year that residents established the Boerne Independent School District; the 15 16 construction of Interstate 10 and the city's proximity to San Antonio spurred growth beginning in the 1960s, and today, Boerne 17 boasts a population of more than 19,000; visitors and residents 18 alike enjoy a range of recreational opportunities, including the 19 Cibolo Nature Center, Boerne City Lake Park, and Cascade Caverns; 20 21 and

WHEREAS, Under the exceptional leadership of president and CEO Kimberley Blohm, the Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce serves as the voice of the local business community; currently made up of

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- 1 approximately 900 members who represent more than 17,500 area
- 2 employees, the chamber promotes responsible and progressive
- 3 economic development through advocacy and education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce has played an
- 5 important role in enhancing the city's vitality and quality of
- 6 life, and all those associated with the organization are deserving
- 7 of recognition for their dedicated efforts; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby recognize February 8, 2023, as Greater Boerne
- 10 Chamber of Commerce Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm
- 11 welcome to the visiting delegation.