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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The City of Cockrell Hill is holding a  
2 ribbon-cutting ceremony for Stevie Ray Vaughan Park on April 22,  
3 2023; and

4           WHEREAS, The park is named for Texas guitar legend Stevie Ray  
5 Vaughan, who was born in Dallas in 1954 and grew up in the Oak  
6 Cliff-Cockrell Hill area; he began playing in bands when he was a  
7 student in junior high school, and he moved to Austin at age 17 to  
8 pursue his musical career; his rise to international stardom  
9 commenced in the early 1980s, and he went on to become one of the  
10 most influential rock and blues guitarists of all time; and

11           WHEREAS, In 2015, the City of Cockrell Hill acquired the land  
12 of the old Hill Theater, where Mr. Vaughan had made his public debut  
13 in 1965; community leaders set about creating a public space to pay  
14 tribute to the musician and to provide a location for local artists  
15 to showcase their talents; the park features a stage, lawn seating,  
16 and a walkway set beneath large shade trees; paintings of  
17 Mr. Vaughan by local muralist Steve Hunter pay homage to the  
18 beloved six-string virtuoso; and

19           WHEREAS, Stevie Ray Vaughan Park will serve as a popular  
20 entertainment and recreation destination for area residents for  
21 many years to come, and it is indeed a pleasure to celebrate the  
22 opening of this outstanding community resource; now, therefore, be  
23 it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate the ribbon-cutting ceremony for  
2 Stevie Ray Vaughan Park in Cockrell Hill and commend all those who  
3 helped bring this project to fruition; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for the City of Cockrell Hill as an expression of high  
6 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.