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H.R. No. 1211

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Alamo are gathering in Austin on
2 April 26, 2023, to celebrate the City of Alamo Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated in the Rio Grande Valley, the city of Alamo
5 is located in Hidalgo County and is known as "The Refuge to the
6 Valley"; the area's first settlers were primarily farmers and
7 ranchers who were attracted to the region by its fertile land and
8 abundant water supply; after the arrival of the railroad in the
9 early 1900s, the area experienced significant growth and
10 development; in the years that followed, Alamo became an important
11 agricultural center in the Rio Grande Valley, and crops such as
12 cotton, citrus, and sorghum were major contributors to the local
13 economy; the city was officially incorporated on May 12, 1924, and
14 it was named after the Indian-Spanish term for the cottonwood tree;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Alamo is a thriving city of nearly 19,500
17 citizens that boasts a strong agricultural industry, and it
18 continues to grow in commerce, ecotourism, and the arts; residents
19 and visitors alike benefit from its close proximity to a number of
20 popular tourist attractions, including South Padre Island and the
21 Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, and outdoor enthusiasts are
22 drawn to the area for activities such as hiking, birdwatching, and
23 camping; furthermore, the city has remained true to its cultural
24 heritage and celebrates its history and traditions with such events

1 as the annual Alamo Watermelon Festival, which is a
2 state-sanctioned BBQ cook-off that honors the community's
3 agricultural roots; and

4 WHEREAS, Acknowledging their rich history as they work to
5 build an even brighter future, the citizens of Alamo are
6 justifiably proud of their community, and it is indeed fitting to
7 honor their contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
10 Legislature hereby recognize April 26, 2023, as the City of Alamo
11 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
12 sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.