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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, May is Older Americans Month, and this occasion 2 provides a fitting opportunity to recognize residents who are older 3 for their many contributions to our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, This national observance traces its origins to April 4 5 1963, when President John F. Kennedy and the National Council of Senior Citizens founded Senior Citizens Month, the prelude to Older 6 7 Americans Month; at that time, there was growing concern about the number of older citizens who lived in poverty and the lack of 8 9 services available to meet their needs; two years later, the Older Americans Act of 1965 established programs to help provide 10 11 nutritional meals as well as health and social services to 12 Americans age 60 and above; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Administration for Community Living 13 14 helps oversee the observance of Older Americans Month; the theme "Aging Unbound," and the campaign encourages 2023 is 15 for 16 individuals to explore diverse aging experiences and to discuss how 17 communities can combat stereotypes; this year's event also highlights the importance of staying active by volunteering, 18 working, mentoring others, 19 joining social groups, and 20 participating in community activities; and

21 WHEREAS, The Lone Star State benefits immeasurably from the 22 wisdom and experience of its residents who are older, and the 23 observance of Older Americans Month celebrates the vital role they 24 play in our communities; now, therefore, be it

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H.R. No. 1678 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas Legislature hereby recognize May 2023 as Older Americans Month. Davis

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1678 was adopted by the House on May 18, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House