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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In commemoration of Gold Star Mother's Day on 2 September 24, 2023, members of American Gold Star Mothers gather 3 across the nation to remember and pay heartfelt tribute to the 4 beloved sons and daughters who gave their lives in service to our 5 country; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1928, American Gold Star Mothers is 6 composed of women whose children, as U.S. service personnel, were 7 8 killed in action during times of war or conflict; the organization's name comes from the custom of hanging a service flag 9 for each member of the military, with blue stars for living soldiers 10 11 and gold stars for those who perished in battle; in their efforts to 12 honor and preserve the memory of their loved ones, Gold Star Mothers host remembrance events, perform volunteer work at veterans 13 14 hospitals, and promote a message of respect and reverence for members of the armed forces; and 15

16 WHEREAS, Gold Star Mother's Day is observed on the last 17 Sunday in September, and each year, the president of the United 18 States issues a proclamation for the event that calls on all 19 citizens to display the Stars and Stripes as an expression of 20 appreciation and support for Gold Star Mothers and their families; 21 and

WHEREAS, Americans owe profound and eternal gratitude to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom, and Gold Star Mother's Day provides a fitting time to

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1 reflect on and honor the selfless service of these patriotic men and 2 women and to recognize the loss experienced by their mothers; now, 3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 5 Legislature hereby commemorate Gold Star Mother's Day 2023 and 6 extend deepest sympathy to all Texas families who have lost a loved 7 one to war.