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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Survivors Day is being held at the 2 State Capitol on January 28, 2023, to promote awareness of the issue 3 of sexual assault and to honor the courage of survivors throughout 4 the Lone Star State; and

5 WHEREAS, Each year, thousands of Americans from all walks of 6 life are subject to sexual assault; in the United States, 1 in 6 7 women and 1 in 33 men will experience an attempted or completed rape 8 in their lifetime, and 1 in 9 girls and 1 in 53 boys experience 9 sexual abuse at the hands of an adult before the age of 18; more than 10 two-thirds of sexual assaults are never reported to the police; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2019, the Texas Legislature established Sexual 12 Assault Survivors Day to bring attention to the destructive effect that sexual assault has on the lives of survivors and their families 13 14 and friends; moreover, the day serves to highlight the strength of survivors, who support the cause by bravely sharing their stories, 15 16 as well as the many law enforcement officers, prosecutors, judges, and organizations that fight to protect Texans from sexual assault 17 and to advocate for survivors of this heinous crime; and 18

WHEREAS, Vigilance against sexual assault is crucial to the safety and well-being of Texans, and the observance of Sexual Assault Survivors Day offers an opportunity to learn more about prevention while saluting those who work every day to eliminate this crime; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature

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hereby recognize January 28, 2023, as Sexual Assault Survivors Day
at the State Capitol.