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RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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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

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

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

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