By: Paul H.C.R. No. 128

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Harris-Galveston Subsidence District is marking

2 the 50th anniversary of its founding in 2025; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1975 by the 64th Texas Legislature,

4 HGSD was created to address the issue of subsidence, or the lowering

5 of the land's surface due to groundwater withdrawals, in Harris and

6 Galveston Counties; with their location along the Gulf Coast, the

7 counties have been predisposed to sea level rise and

8 weather-related issues; therefore, changes in land surface

9 elevation can increase the region's risk of flooding and damage to

10 infrastructure; and

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11 WHEREAS, At the time of its creation, the Harris-Galveston

Subsidence District served more than 2.2 million people, and today,

13 over 5.1 million individuals reside in the district's jurisdiction;

thanks to the dedicated service of its board and staff, HGSD has

15 successfully controlled subsidence through groundwater regulation,

16 research and monitoring, water planning, and award-winning

17 conservation programs; the district has also benefited from the

18 support of local and regional agencies and civic officials; and

19 WHEREAS, Over the past five decades, HGSD has played an

20 instrumental role in protecting the lives and property of area

21 residents from the significant impacts of subsidence, and it is a

22 pleasure to join in honoring the district on this special milestone

23 in its history; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas

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- 1 hereby commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Harris-Galveston
- 2 Subsidence District and extend to all those affiliated with the
- 3 district sincere best wishes for continued success in their
- 4 important work; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for HGSD as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
- 7 of Representatives and Senate.