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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas and the Province of Québec in
- 2 Canada share a deep and enduring friendship rooted in mutual values
- 3 and strong economic ties; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Boasting the second-largest GDP in the United
- 5 States, Texas is Québec's top commercial partner in the nation,
- 6 with major economic hubs in Houston, Dallas, and Austin; the state
- 7 also serves as one of the province's fastest-growing markets,
- 8 particularly in sectors such as aerospace, energy, biomedical, IT
- 9 and artificial intelligence, and creative industries; in addition,
- 10 Canada is the state's second-largest trading partner, and in 2022,
- 11 trade between Texas and Canada totaled \$71.3 billion; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Québec Government Office in Houston works to
- 13 promote the province's interests throughout the South Central
- 14 region of the United States, which includes Texas, Louisiana,
- 15 Oklahoma, and Arkansas; the office supports the areas of business,
- 16 investment, government institutions, education, culture, the
- 17 advancement of the French language, and the Francophonie; and
- WHEREAS, In April 2025, Québec's minister for the economy,
- 19 Christopher Skeete, met with state leaders at the Texas Capitol and
- 20 the offices of Secretary of State Jane Nelson and Governor Greg
- 21 Abbott; and
- 22 WHEREAS, Texas and Québec have demonstrated a steadfast
- 23 commitment to promoting innovation and prosperity, and they have
- 24 benefited immeasurably from their vibrant partnership; now

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- 1 therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby honor the longstanding relationship between the
- 4 Province of Québec and the State of Texas and express support for
- 5 deepening cooperation in areas of shared interest.